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THRILLS AT THE LOCAL RACES

ENTHUSIASM AND SURPRISES AT HAPPY VALLEY

BIGGER FIELD

OUTSIDERS WIN THE FIRST TWO EVENTS

All that could be desired was present to crown with success the formal opening to-day of the new and magnificent accommodation of the Hong Kong Jockey Club. Happy Valley was in a real gala mood as this, the first day of the annual racing carnival, was ushered in in ideal weather.

Enthusiasm was shown by all sections of the community and by visitors, both mighty and humble sharing the spoils of the Sport of Kings.

The events themselves augur excellently for the four days of next week. Fields were bigger than usual—following heavy entries brought about partly by the increased stakes—outsiders won in the first two races, there were two tumbles in a batch of 29 for the initial scramble, and a favourite caught the Judge's eye in the Maidens, showing that punters gauged the form of Derby probables to a nicety.

A FASHIONABLE GATHERING

Liberal support was given to both the members' and the public enclosures. The stands and the arrangements for the posting up of starters, results, and for the cash sweeps and pari-mutuel are now the best in the realm of the China pony. Flags from the roofs above the tiers of private boxes lent colour to a vivid background. Ladies, foreign and Chinese, vied with each other in delightful spring creations; in fact, the fair sex never seemed to be more strongly represented, although women owners have not come to the fore in ante-post speculations this season.

Benches on the spacious lawns and other innovations were highly appreciated. The departure made by the Jockey Club in setting down one more day—making the total five—and beginning on the Saturday instead of Monday, met with commendation from racing men and punters alike. Even the Chinese crowds inside the trucks in the Race Course were drawn to the rails away from the soccer matches—and how they cheered when Chinese jockey romped home.

On the eve of their departure from the Colony, the Band of the 2nd Battalion, the King's Own Scottish Borderers entertained the attendance with varied selections during the intervals.

The staff was capable and courteous and there was more elbow room than of yore.

The Wong-Nei-Chong Stakes

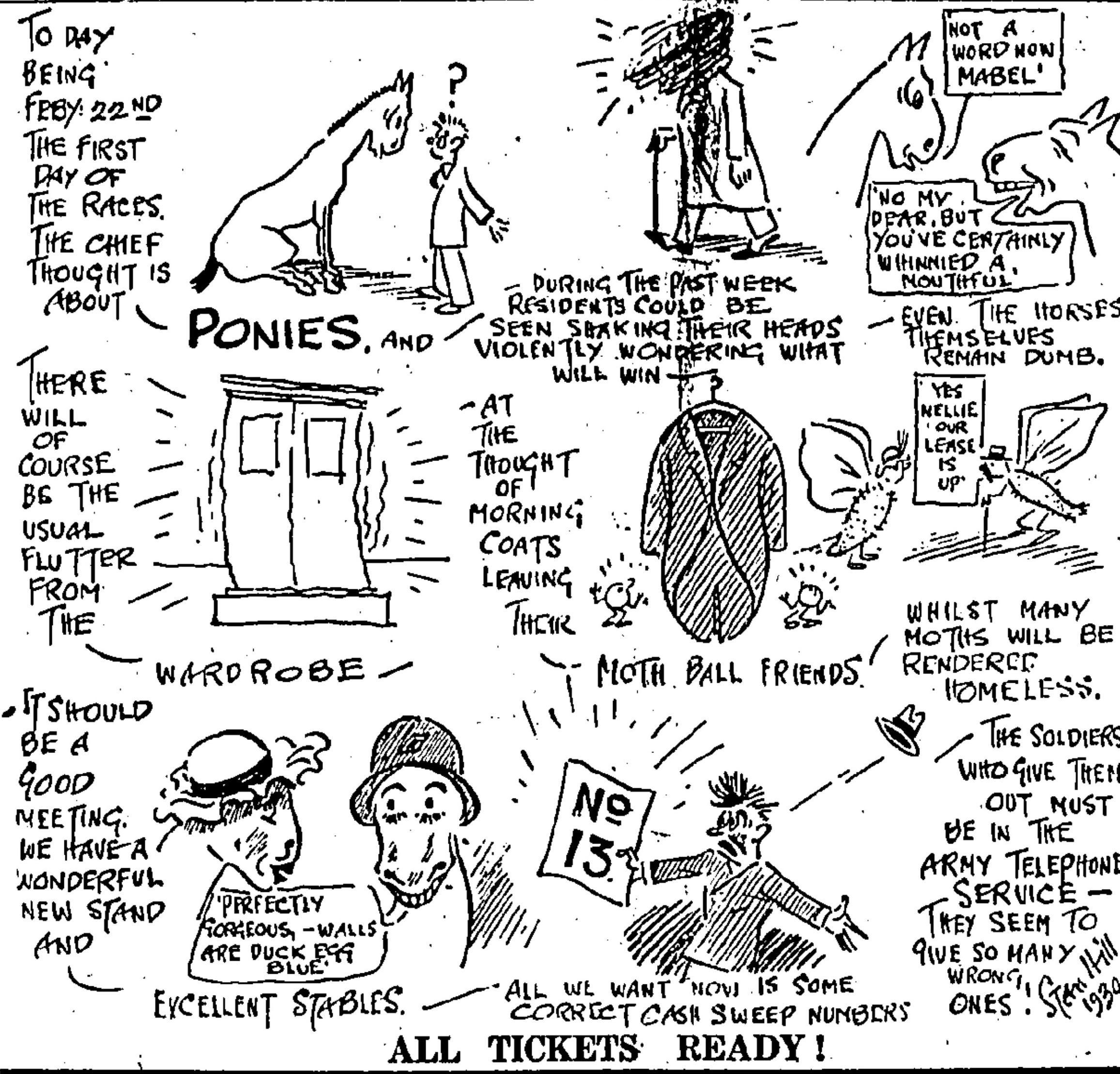
Several races which have been associated with the Monday of the big week were transferred to the "preliminary" to-day and there were a few new events. Among the former was the Wong-nei-chong Stakes, which has been the curtain-raiser from time immemorial. Twenty-nine runners were saddled here and two of the riders, Mr. L. P. Quincey (a Chinese jockey from Shanghai, who is renewing associations with Hong Kong) and Mr. L. G. Frost (a local competitor) were unseated at the start. Mr. Quincey injured his wrist but came out again and Mr. Frost also suffered no appreciable ill effect.

An outsider beat the lot in the Wong-nei-chong and the dividend was again formidable in the second race when Mr. Y. S. Chang, with a big reputation from Shanghai, surprised the better-backed ponies.

"King's Bounty"

The favourite, King's Boantz, with Mr. V. Haimovitch up, annexed the Maidens by a short head after a thrilling run up the straight with several others. This victory promised well for the "Dynasty" stable in the Derby on Tuesday.

Mr. E. K. Tong's O.P.E., winner of last year's Derby, captured the "Belmont" for subscription griffins Valley Stakes, while Bridge Stable repeating a feat he did in 1927 in having every three races as owner with Wong-Nei-Chong, the first, the



ALL TICKETS READY!

JAPAN'S ELECTIONS

State of the Parties at Midnight

Election returns at midnight were:

Minseito, 71, Seiyukai 40, Tokyo, Later Proletarians, 3, Independents 2 Others 6. The full returns are expected on Sunday.

Up to the present the Minseito Party has gained 15, and lost 3 seats; the Seiyukai gained 4 and lost 2; and the Proletarians gained 2 and lost 5—Reuter.

anças accumulative. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

Lau & Lee's Duke of Chantilly 168 lbs. ... (Mr. Y. S. Chang) 1

Hau Un's Monterey Hall 168 lbs. ... (Mr. Da Roza) 2

Dynasty's Young Pretender 169 lbs. ... (Mr. Haimovitch) 3

H. S. Chan's Chesapeake Bay 172 lbs. ... (Mr. Harriman) 4

W. G. Fischer's Buster 160 lbs. ... (Mr. Fischer) 0

Beith & Heard's Christmas Chimes 172 lbs. ... (Mr. Heard) 0

Harbot's City Hall 165 lbs. ... (Mr. Callaco) 0

Ulster's Erin's Isle 165 lbs. ... (Mr. Backhouse) 0

N. Hashim's Sunning 165 lbs. ... (Mr. Charles) 0

Trier's Kum On 162 lbs. ... (Mr. Sewell) 0

Own's Lonesome Night 153 lbs. ... (Mr. Knoll) 0

Chan & Mok's Magic Caduceus 155 lbs. ... (Mr. Leighton) 0

Topside's Mountain Ash 155 lbs. ... (Mr. Stanton) 0

Weefree's Musketeer 150 lbs. ... (Mr. Botelho) 0

Mrs. H. S. Chan's Pagoda 168 lbs. ... (Mr. Harriman) 0

Mrs. Pearce's Piccy 152 lbs. ... (Mr. Haimovitch) 0

Hynes & Mackie's Pineapple 155 lbs. ... (Mr. Noodt) 0

Lau & Lee's Ploughman 150 lbs. ... (Mr. H. C. Lee) 0

Ferdinand's Siamese Shop 156 lbs. ... (Mr. Soares) 0

Rafeek & Rumjahn's Silver Dragon 158 lbs. ... (Mr. Quincey) 0

Eve's Sunrise Eve 155 lbs. ... (Mr. Bowring) 0

Tang Kee's The Ringer 147 lbs. ... (Mr. Salman) 0

W. E. L. Shenton's The Teal 150 lbs. ... (Mr. Ip Kul-ying) 0

W. E. L. Shenton's The Wiggon 155 lbs. ... (Mr. Da Roza) 0

McKee's Tighto 155 lbs. ... (Mr. Charles) 0

Mrs. W. T. Southern's Tombols 160 lbs. ... (Mr. Reidy) 0

Neck: 1/2 length.

Time: 1:03.3/5.

Winner: \$28.40.

Places: 1st \$26.20; 2nd \$11.40;

3rd \$4.50.

2-The Old Course Plate—Winner \$760. Second \$500. Third \$200.

For China Ponies that have started in at least four Extra Meetings in Hong Kong during 1929, two of which Meetings to have been before July 1 and two subsequent to that date.

Weight for inches as per scale.

Winners anywhere during 1929 of one race: 1st \$100; 2nd \$40; 3rd \$20.

Prizes for winners of 1929 of one race: 1st \$100; 2nd \$40; 3rd \$20.

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HONG KONG BANK MEETING

CHAIRMAN REPORTS HEAVY LOSSES FROM FRAUD

THE DOLLAR EVIL

RESULTS OF SLACKNESS IN FAR EASTERN TRADE

Heavy losses from frauds were mentioned at the yearly meeting of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank this morning, by the Chairman, Mr. W. H. Bell, who added that, notwithstanding the good record made by the Bank in a year of serious trade depression, the Directors thought it prudent to make a reduction of bonus.

The net profits for the year amount to \$14,148,209.57, as compared with \$13,430,061.61 for 1928—a return to approximately the earlier level of profits as calculated in silver.

Slackness of Far Eastern trade, the reaction to the civil war and the currency difficulties, each reveal their influence on the balance sheet.

A brighter note was added to the meeting by the statement that the Bank's investments stand at well under market quotations.

REDUCTION OF BONUS

Mr. W. H. Bell presided at the meeting, and supporting him were Messrs. J. A. Plummer (Deputy Chairman), B. D. F. Beith, B. Landor Lewis, C. G. S. Mackie, W. L. Patten, T. E. Pearce, T. H. R. Shaw, J. P. Warren (directors), and the Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes (Chief Manager).

Among the shareholders present were the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, Sir Robert Ho Tung, Messrs. J. W. C. Bonnar, R. M. Dyer, D. L. Lewis, H. G. Hegarty, V. M. Grayburn, M. K. Lo, J. M. Alves, Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, J. T. Bagram, W. E. Van Eps, J. Kotwall, E. D. Kotwall, H. B. L. Dowbiggin, G. K. Hall Bruton, H. Dixon, Paul Lauder, L. G. S. Dodwell, H. R. Sturt, Lo Cheung-wan, Chan Shu-ming, A. Stevenson, R. A. Dastur, A. P. Samy, J. H. Little, F. W. James, F. W. Stapleton, F. R. Marsh, D. Templeton, G. C. Moxon, A. C. Kennedy, S. M. Churn, E. F. R. Sample, P. S. Cassidy, C. B. Johnson, J. M. McCutcheon, Hon. Mr. J. M. Owen Hughes, L. E. N. Ryan, A. B. Raworth, Prof. C. Middleton Smith, Chua Seng-choo, F. McD. Courtney, J. Coulthart, Chan Wing-keu, Alfred Tse, F. M. Ellis, D. H. Cooper, J. E. Joseph, T. N. Chau, John Fleming, Devonport Brown, J. B. Montagis and G. E. Towns.

Among the lady shareholders present were Messdames E. G. Hegarty, A. C. Hynes, L. G. S. Dodwell, A. B. Raworth.

Chairman's Speech

The Report and Statement of Accounts having been in your hands for some time I shall, with your permission, take them as read.

The net profits for the year amount to \$14,148,209.57 as compared with \$13,430,061.61 for 1928—a return to approximately our earlier level of profits as calculated in silver. This would be satisfactory were it not for the heavy fall in the rate of conversion from silver to gold—corresponding to a fall in exchange of just under 25 per cent between the opening and closing of the year—which substantially diminishes the sum available for our dividend in sterling.

Frauds Cause Heavy Losses

In addition the Bank has suffered heavy losses from frauds perpetrated in more than one country for which, however, I am glad to say no full provision has been

and in Shanghai exchange, and the notes of the three banks in Hong Kong (on the basis of which all business had for long been conducted following a mutual arrangement among the banks of many years ago) became in the end completely divorced from their nominal silver value and rose to a high premium over the silver currency which they actually represent.

Silver Dollar Problem

The resulting disturbance to trade between the Colony and China decided the banks to revert to the circulation of the silver dollar. Many of the banks then sent orders for the minting of British dollars in London or Bombay, and 20 millions of these and Mexican dollars have been obtained, of which the greater part are already in the Colony. As the largest issuer of notes, and as the Clearing Bank, we have seen the majority of these dollars force their way into our treasures, a state of affairs which reveals itself in our increased note issue. It is obvious that a small colony like our own cannot absorb unlimited silver dollars, and further imports of these are much to be deprecated. The increase in our note circulation, I would add, has only been rendered possible by the Hong Kong Government having made a concession in regard to the taxation of our issue, without which an increase would have been prohibitively expensive.

Civil War Reaction

The only expansion which I have to record in our field of operation is the opening of a new Sub-Agency at Muar in the Malay State of Johore.

Of the affairs of this Colony there is little to say except that, in addition to the currency difficulties already mentioned, we have suffered the inevitable reaction from the renewal of civil war in the two Kwang provinces and other parts of China. The conditions for trade being very similar to those applying to China, I will refrain from treating them separately.

With an excess of supply over demand the silver market has trended steadily downward throughout the year owing principally to a falling off in Indian demand.

Continental sales of silver, presumably released when French Indo-China decided upon the transfer of their currency to a gold basis, an operation which they have now virtually accomplished, and, finally, a continuance of sales by the Indian Government. As regards this last it is reasonable to suppose that in future, with the Refinery now working in Bombay, surplus coin in the silver currency reserve will generally be refined and sold locally as opportunity offers, thus narrowing the outlet for the world's production.

A Weight on Silver Market

The increase in the reserve is a weight on the silver market and with conditions as they are in China one looks in vain for any probable source of a consumptive demand of sufficient strength and endurance to effect an appreciable recovery in prices. As I have said, our local requirements in Hong Kong are bound to prove limited.

The extreme quotations of the year for the price of silver were, as follows:—highest, 26.7/16d; lowest, 21.5/16d, per standard ounce, which constituted a low record for the metal; (since then there has been a further decline). The quotations for Shanghai exchange were:—highest, 27/16d; lowest, 2/1d, per tael, for telegraphic transfers to London. By a curious coincidence the Shanghai exchange touched the top and bottom limits on the first and last days of the year respectively.

The min. production of silver for 1929 is computed at 275 millions of standard ounces, which added to 80 millions from outside

sources, gives a total of 355 millions—an increase of 12 millions over the previous year. China's estimated consumption was 143 millions and India's 70 millions, corresponding respectively to 141 and 110 millions in 1928. China thus again achieved a record.

Accumulation of Evils

The trading conditions of last year in India and the Far East have, as I have already mentioned, been none too favourable. In the first place China failed to realize the promise of the previous year and relapsed into civil warfare; famine and brigandage played their familiar roles and a further misfortune was added in the fall of the silver currency. This accumulation of evils effectively destroyed any chances of trade expansion and I think we may reckon it fortunate that there has not been a more appreciable decline.

The raising of the tariff in February had little apparent effect on the volume of import trade which was well maintained during the first few months of the year. As the year progressed, however, the various hindrances to commerce became increasingly felt.

Wars and disorders in the provinces together with the drop in exchange checked the demand for imports, while exports fell away under the burden of military taxation and difficulties of transport.

In the autumn came the disturbance of the foreign markets resulting from the crash on the New York Stock Exchange, and the end of the year found business in China at an unusually low ebb with little prospect of an early turn of the tide.

The Cotton Business

Taking the staple imports, foreign cotton manufacturers have had to compete with a substantial increase of output from the local mills. The raising of the Japanese boycott also brought a flood of Japanese cotton goods onto the market, making competition extremely difficult for British manufacturers. The trade in woollens was dull in spite of lowered prices.

The engineering business showed welcome signs of recovery from a long period of stagnation, thanks largely to the quickening of industrial developments on the Yangtze and to greater activity in the sphere of public works.

There was an increased importation of railway material, including engines and rolling-stock, a considerable demand for aircraft for both military and commercial use and a good market for motor vehicles corresponding to the rapid extension of motor roads in most provinces of China.

British products, I may add, were fairly well represented in the supply of industrial machinery, only moderately so in regard to railway requirements and very slightly in the case of the motor trade.

Customs Returns Increased

The Customs returns for the year show gross revenue of Taels 162 millions against 82 millions in 1928. Reckoned in silver this represents an increase of 85 per cent; reckoned in gold, 68 per cent; in this connection I may add that under the new tariff the proportion of Customs revenue required for the foreign loans and indemnities at current rates of exchange is considerably less than one-half.

The Customs have not made available the comparative figures with former years which are necessary to furnish an index of the increase or decrease of trade, but one may infer by calculation a falling off, though not of serious extent—from the previous year's volume.

Conditions in China

The figures bring out the increasing preponderance of Shanghai's trade in relation to that of the rest of China; they also indicate a redressing of the balance between the northern and the southern ports, the south having recovered much of the ground lost

through the Communist troubles, at a regrettably low level. A notable increase in the world's consumption of rubber was outstripped by the increase in production and export, and prices receded in the latter half of the year to abnormally low figures.

The tin industry presented similar features. The import trade showed a corresponding decline and was very dull in the second part of the year.

Although trade in the Philippines suffered from the effects of world over-production of sugar as well as of the devastating typhoons of the previous year, general conditions are by no means unsatisfactory. Considerable development is taking place both by private enterprise and in the form of Government works such as new roads and bridges. Fundamental improvement in the economic state of the Islands reflects itself in the budget surplus which the year is expected to produce.

The Wall Street Collapse

Next year's outlook for trade between Great Britain and the Far East generally is somewhat overcast. The heavy fall in values consequent on the Wall Street collapse and inflated money conditions are without doubt affecting manufacturers and restricting their purchases of raw material. This will bear heavily on firms handling Far Eastern produce such as rubber, tin, hemp, sugar and cotton. Producers generally making it difficult to market their steadily increasing production. Unfortunately British textile exporters generally have been correspondingly ill-handicapped by high cost of production, they are condemned to see the market supplied by the cheaper products of Japanese mills and of domestic output in India and the Far East. The drop in silver currencies has also adversely affected the demand for British manufacturers, especially cotton, woolen and artificial silk fabrics, and it is to be feared that the marked falling-off in British exports to the East, dating from last October, may continue.

Railway and Shipping

Railway communications to which I shall again refer later, have shown some slight improvement over the conditions of the previous year, but military interference has prevented or crippled traffic on nearly all main lines. The construction of 600 miles of railway track in Manchuria during the last three years is a fact worthy of notice.

The Cotton Business

Coastal shipping has had a difficult year and again met with tragic experience at the hands of pirates. Foreign navigation on the Yangtze passed an uneventful year; the effect of reduced volume of trade being partly offset by Government commandeering of native vessels for military transport.

The Tea Industry

In India the past year cannot be ranked as a very prosperous period, the trade of the country having shown a decided tendency to sag. The jute and gunny markets, two of the most important, have suffered from lower prices. There was an increased importation of railway material, including engines and rolling-stock, a considerable demand for aircraft for both military and commercial use and a good market for motor vehicles corresponding to the rapid extension of motor roads in most provinces of China.

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The new Government which took office about the middle of the year set itself strenuously to appreciate the value of the Yen in preparation for restoring the currency to a basis. With the help of credits opened abroad—to which this Bank contributed as a member of London banking syndicate—this was accomplished on January 11 last when the embargo on the export of gold was removed.

The rise in the exchange value of the Yen had the immediate result of depressing home prices and restricting commerce and industry. These sacrifices consequent on the delicate operation of restoring credit by artificial measures are, of course, inevitable and though every effort will no doubt be made to minimize the effect, we must look forward to some continuance of the dullness in trade.

Straits and Malaya

From a fairly promising start trade conditions in the Straits Settlements and Malaya deteriorated through the year and finished

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China's Political Situation

To take the reverse side of the picture, cheaper money and a saner perspective as to the limits of trade expansion may lead to business being in future conducted on sounder economic lines. We may venture, too, on the hope that an increased trade activity in other parts of the world will counteract the feared decline in America's prosperity and so prevent a lessening of the world's demand for commodities.

Let us pass now to the political situation in China which, more than any other factor in the present state of affairs, regulates the fortunes of those whose business lies in the Far East. The year has witnessed slow progress in the movement towards consolidation. A series of important counter-movements have threatened the stability of the Government and the peace and security of the population. None of these has succeeded, indeed, in overthrowing the Government of Nanking and so far, at any rate, there is no evidence of any alternative to that Government. These repeated uprisings absorbed, however, most of the country's energies and the record of the year, which I will attempt to summarize in a short space, is as will be seen, chiefly taken up by military operations.

Hopes Shattered

The year opened with the Disbandment Conference in session at Hankow. The hopes which attended this first round-table of the military chiefs were however doomed to be short-lived. Within a couple of months and before a start had been made to apply the Conference plans for demobilisation, the country had slipped back to a state of civil strife. A quarrel arose between the Central Government and the Wuhan military group centred at Hankow. By the end of March, it had flared into active warfare—the first renewal of fighting since the establishment of the National Government. The revolt,

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was quelled on the Yangtze before the end of April, but fighting dragged on in the southern provinces, especially round Canton, into the month of June.

More Disturbing Factors

In the meantime at Nanking an important political milestone had been passed, namely the holding of the Third National Congress of the Kuomintang... The result of the Congress was to confirm the central power in the hands of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and his colleagues, leaving the membership of the Central Executive Council, the supreme authority in the country, substantially unchanged.

Before the country had had time to settle down from the Wuhan revolt, a fresh breach of the peace occurred. In the middle of May Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang, at the head of the Kuominchun, challenged the Nanking Government, withdrawing his army into the western provinces and destroying railways along his line of retreat. He was officially declared a rebel and by the end of the month war was again raging in China. The state funeral of Dr. Sun Yat-sen—which took place with great ceremony on June 1—came at an opportune moment and caused a lull in the fighting. Thereafter Marshal Feng, weakened by the defection of two of his leading generals, withdrew from active revolt but his attitude to the Government continued to be such as to leave the situation precarious. A bold effort to reunite the leaders was made by Chiang Kai-shek in the first week of July when he called a conference at Peking. The attempt was partially successful; Marshal Feng again pledged his loyalty and was reinstated and it was agreed to hold another Disbandment Conference.

Disbandment Conference

This second Disbandment Conference, held at Nanking early in August, ended in fresh plans for an all-round reduction of troops and in the issue by Nanking of a further disbandment loan. The results were, unfortunately, negative, for after barely three months of peace war broke out for the third time towards the end of September. On this occasion Nanking was faced by a revolt from the so-called "Re-organisationists", a group mainly consisting of the political leaders of the left who had been excluded from office, supported by certain military commanders including several of the Kuominchun generals. At first the rebels were successful. For many weeks fighting proceeded in the central and southern provinces, and the war was at one moment carried almost to the gates of Nanking. The tide turned, however, in favour of Marshal Chiang, who by the end of the year had the situation again in hand and averted the threat to the Government.

China's Domestic Ills

One can thus congratulate the Government on surviving three most serious crises during the course of the year. Whether in consequence its position has been strengthened throughout the country as a whole it is very difficult to say. A year ago it was at least possible to hope that the nationalist victory had done away with the old disruptive forces which kept China in turmoil. The events of the last twelve months have proved this hope to be vain and we must, I fear, now reconcile ourselves to a slower, and less dramatic, cure of China's domestic ills.

The sequence of wars has left little room for constructive work and the many excellent programme of reform sponsored by the National Government have made but small progress. Such as they are, I will attempt, however, to review the achievements of the year.

Value of Independent Scrutiny

In the sphere, first, of politics, the Central Executive Council announced, in June the Kuomintang programme for the continued government of the country. In accordance with this programme the system of "political autonomy" is to last till 1938, thus prolonging the government of China by the Kuomin Party for six years to come.

In the matter of legislation many new laws and sections of codes have been promulgated. The texts appear to be based in general on good and up-to-date models. Our own experience in legislature has taught us, however, the great value of independent scrutiny and criticism of draft laws in order that they may, before acceptance, be moulded into "form-best" adapted to local conditions and it is perhaps a little unfortunate that the present system of legislature in China pro-

vides no opportunity for examination by any other agency than the Central Administration itself. In the manner of their making the new fundamental laws of China might appear, in fact, to approximate rather too much to departmental regulations.

National Finance

Turning to national finance, the position is frankly disappointing. In spite of forcible pleadings by the Chinese bankers and merchants and of clear and outspoken warning by the Minister of Finance himself, the Government have failed to achieve any of the major reforms which are so urgently needed in order to put the country on a sound financial footing. The balancing of revenue and expenditure appears no nearer and the spending of the major part of the national income on military expenditure continues as before. There is little or no abatement of the crippling local taxation. The reorganisation of the Central Government's revenues under Mr. T. V. Soong has undoubtedly made advance, but the ensuing increase, including the additional yield from the Customs, has been swallowed up almost entirely by military needs. Future income, meanwhile, has been pledged ever deeper for unproductive loans issued by the Bank of China itself—and the four intervening years, filled as they have been by warfare and political turmoil, have wrought no radical improvement.

Essential Safeguards

Now the essential safeguards which we need for the carrying on of our business may be grouped under three heads, reasonable laws, their impartial application by independent judges and, lastly, effective protection against illegal administrative acts. As regards the first, the Government, as stated, is busily enacting a body of modern law. There may, as I have mentioned before, be room for improvement in the method of compilation, but there is no reason to doubt that China will soon possess an acceptable instrument of justice—insofar as the actual codes are concerned. When we come to administration we have, however, before us the many recent cases in the Shanghai Provisional Court which have drawn forth protest from the Consular Deputies and in the Foreign Press besides incurring the united strictures of the Diplomatic body.

Chinese Tribunals

One has only to look at the record of this court to see the need of a further period of development before foreigners can look with confidence to the Chinese tribunals as a guarantee of judicial independence—stressed by the Commissioners in their 1928 Report as the outstanding defect of the courts which causes mistrust since it has shown itself all too clearly in the frequent removal of judges and in avoided submission by the judiciary to political authority. While gladly recognising the progress already made, I cannot therefore, but echo the British Government's statement in their note of August last: "They there pointed to the need of a far greater advance towards making a living reality of reforms, especially in regard to freeing the courts from outside interference and dictation. Till this takes place, any transfer to the Chinese courts of powers of jurisdiction over foreigners needs to be strictly conditioned and limited."

A Warning Note

I come now to the third, and in my opinion by far the most important, of our requisite safeguards. A glance at current conditions in China is enough to show how absolutely necessary it is that protection should exist against lawless impositions by the "powers that be." Individuals and companies are notoriously subject to illegal and often extortionary treatment against which the courts of law provide no defence. So many flagrant cases have been revealed in the public Press that examples need not be quoted. This state of affairs is, of course, closely connected with the persistence of civil war throughout the provinces of China, and one can fairly hope that a few years of peace and orderly government will remove the worst of the civil. But I wish to say with all the emphasis I can that unless and until this improvement takes place it would be certainly premature, and not, improbably disastrous in the fullest sense of the word, to place foreign businesses under the sovereign control of local Chinese officials. If we are presently to be called upon to come under Chinese law, it is here more than in any other direction that we look to our Government to assure us the protection so vitally needed.

Shanghai's Fate

The momentous question of the future status of the Shanghai International Settlement is receiving official attention. The system of municipal government under which the Settlement has attained to its present size and prosperity has a splendid record to its credit. Altered conditions of which the rapid expansion of "Greater Shanghai" outside the Settlement boundaries is perhaps the most important—call, however, for an impartial examination and, it may be, for some changes. The Shanghai Municipal Council have taken a wise step by obtaining as their adviser, in the person of Judge Festham, a man of experience and high reputation in the practical handling of problems of an analogous nature. Let us hope that a solution will be found which will restore the world confidence which China so greatly needs than an effective agreement among those same leaders for the mutual reduction of troops.

Based on to China's diplomatic relations in 1929, I come to a question of vital importance for all foreign concerns, namely the abolition of extraterritoriality. Having proved my mastery of that extensively polysyllabic word, I propose by the way to have my tongue and your time by using it in future in its telescoped form and to call it "extraterritoriality." The subject is so immense that I cannot deal with it

as fully as I should like, and I shall confine myself to a few comprehensive remarks from the point of view particularly of our own position in the matter.

Let me begin by saying that China's ambition to abolish the extraterritorial system and to see herself placed on the footing of other nations is one which we understand and can feel. In the past, however, as pointed out by His Majesty's Government—the system has been a recognised necessity in China, and it is upon it that institutions like our own were founded and built up. Its abrupt termination would, I have no hesitation in saying, seriously imperil their existence and be an act of the gravest injustice. What we therefore demand is, not that extraterritoriality shall remain in its unmodified form, but that its modification shall be gradual, the rate and method being such as will at no stage leave foreign firms in China without common legal safeguards. As to how China has already progressed towards herself providing these safeguards, opinions may vary. I can only say that the report of the 1928 Commission abundantly proved their inadequacy at that date, and that it is obvious that the four intervening years, filled as they have been by warfare and political turmoil, have wrought no radical improvement.

Essential Safeguards

Having made already considerable demands on your patience in dealing with the state of affairs in China, I must pass over much that would otherwise claim attention. Enough has, however, been said to show that the year on which we are entering opens a more than usually anxious prospect for foreign banks and businesses whose interests are vested in that country.

Mr. Hynes Resigns

I would ask your patience for a moment whilst I talk to a personal matter. I was 18 years in the service of the Bank. My first three and a half years in the East were spent in Peking, and when I was transferred to Shanghai the man who came out from Home to relieve me was Mr. Hynes. You will understand, therefore, that I have followed his career in the Bank with much interest. I have now to inform you that Mr. Hynes has tendered his resignation, which the Directors have accepted but with the very greatest regret. He has had over 30 years' service—of which over 18 have been in Hong Kong itself—and during the past three years has been our Chief Manager. These three years, as you all know, have been exceptionally difficult, and the results attained in face of these difficulties speak more for Mr. Hynes' zeal and ability in the service of the Bank than anything I could possibly say. I feel sure that you would wish to join me in offering a warm farewell to Mr. Hynes and in wishing him enjoyment of a well-merited rest after his long and successful career in the Bank.

Mr. Grayburn Appointed

Another old colleague of mine, Mr. V. M. Grayburn, has been appointed to be Acting Chief Manager when Mr. Hynes leaves in two or three weeks' time. Here again I feel sure that you will join me in offering him a hearty welcome and every success.

In conclusion I would ask you to confirm the Directors' vote of a bonus to the staff of 5 per cent. on salaries. The reduction from 10 per cent.—the figure of several years past—has been made to correspond with the halving of the Shareholders' bonus.

I now beg to propose the adoption of the Report and Statement of Accounts.

After the proposal has been seconded and before placing the motion before the Meeting, I shall be pleased to answer to the best of my ability any questions that Shareholders may have to ask.

Sir Henry Pollock Speaks

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,—In rising to second the adoption of the Report and the Statement of Accounts, I do not propose to occupy many minutes of your time, especially in view of the very full and interesting speech which has just been made from the Chair.

The first point which strikes one as unsatisfactory is the fact that, in spite of difficult trade and banking conditions during the past year, our earnings in silver for 1929 exceeded by some 700,000 dollars our earnings in silver for the year 1928.

Yet another point for congratulation is that our Directors, by transferring 5 million dollars from our silver reserve to the more favourable rate of 2s to the dollar, have raised our sterling reserve to six and a half millions sterling, and when we call to mind that only 10 years ago, at the beginning of 1920, our sterling reserve stood at one and a half million pounds only, it will be readily appreciated how much the Bank has strengthened its sterling position during the last 10 years.

We are also transferring \$500,000 to our silver reserve and \$750,000 to Bank Premises' Account; and it is pleasing to hear from you, Sir, that our investments stand at well under market quotations.

A Matter To Be Deplored

Whilst we, as shareholders, must regret that the sterling bonus for the year has been reduced from 2s to 1s per share, we feel bound to acquiesce in the decision of the Board when we reflect that, at the low exchange of 1s 7½ to the dollar, the final payment to us of \$4 per share costs only about \$40,000 less in dollars than the payment of the final of 25 per share cost us for the year 1928 at the then exchange of 2s 9d to the dollar. Moreover, those shareholders who think in dollars, can derive comfort from the fact that for the year 1929 they are receiving, in dividend and bonus combined, \$80.37 per share as compared with \$70.02 per share for the year 1928.

In regard to the disturbed state of affairs in China, shareholders can only join with our Directors in deplored the continued persistence of civil war in China, with its accompaniment of famine and brigandage and of the oppression of the Chinese merchants and masses by irregular taxation and of interference with the arteries of trade in so many Provinces of China.

Piracy Still Prevails

Also the molestation of shipping by pirates is still, unfortunately, with us. We trust that the preventive measures which have recently been initiated by the Government of Kwangtung will shortly bear fruit.

As regards the abolition of extraterritoriality, one can only express the hope that the Powers that be in Nanking will realise

the desirability for proceeding slowly and gradually, so long as Chinese Judges have no security of tenure, of office, and so long as such Judges are liable to dictation and interference by political and military officials.

All shareholders will most cordially endorse the bonus of 5 per cent. to the Bank staff on their salaries, and will very much regret the necessity for reducing the same.

In conclusion, Mr. Chairman, I desire, on behalf of the shareholders, to echo your words of appreciation of the very valuable services which have been rendered to the Bank by our retiring Chief Manager, Mr. Hynes, during the past three extremely difficult years, and we join in wishing him, and Mrs. Hynes also, many years of happiness to come.

We likewise desire to endorse your words of welcome to the incoming Chief Manager, Mr. Grayburn, and to wish him every success in his arduous task.

On Thursday his condition was reported as serious, and although his heart was standing the strain well, he was toxic.

In view of this report, it was considered advisable to send a cable to Mrs. Cotton, who is at home.

Yesterday's report stated that Mr. Cotton's condition was rather worse, his pulse not being so good. He was also stated to be toxic and delirious.

On inquiry this morning, the China Mail learned that Mr. Cotton's condition had remained much the same over night.

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BIG DEVELOPMENTS

Rugby, Yesterday.

SUICIDE OF AN AGED PEER

GRIEVED FOR HIS SON

Rugby, Yesterday.

Lord Westbury who was aged 78, to-day jumped from a 7th floor flat in London, and was killed. At the inquest a verdict of "Suicide while of unsound mind" was returned.

Evidence was given that Lord Westbury, who had suffered from ill health, had grieved very much over the loss of his son and heir, the Hon. Richard Bethell, who was found dead in ibid. The Hon. R. Bethell, who was only 46, was secretary to Mr. Howard Carter, who carried out the work of excavating the tomb of Tutankhamen in the Valley of Kings in Egypt, and his tragic and early death revived the superstition of a curse on those who disturb the tombs of the ancient Pharaohs.

It is now possible to telephone from Great Britain to ships at sea, and within a short time a service will be in operation between any fixed telephone station and passengers on main line express trains.

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CAR AND TRAM

Mishaps at Kennedy Town

Mr. W. E. Hollands, Land Batiff in the office of the Building Authority, figured in a motor accident yesterday.

He was driving his car along the Kennedy Town Praya, when he had to swerve sharply to avoid a coolie, who was crossing the road with a sack of rice on his shoulder.

The sudden swerving caused the car to collide with a tramcar which was proceeding in the opposite direction. The impact caused considerable damage to the front of Mr. Hollands' car, but, fortunately, no one was injured.

PACIFIC TRAGEDY

Superintendent's Mad Crime

Townsville (Queensland), Feb. 4.

In response to a message of distress brought by two aborigines from Palm Island, a native settlement twenty miles off the Queensland coast, a doctor, police and provisions were rushed to the Island. It appears that the Superintendent, Mr. R. M. Curry, ran amok, shot and seriously injured Dr. Patterson and his wife, set fire to several buildings, including his own house, departed to an adjacent island and returned to Palm Island, where he was shot dead by an aborigine immediately he landed. The bodies of Mr. Curry's daughter, aged 20, and his son, aged 10, were found among the ruins of his house.

The police have brought back Dr. Patterson and his wife, who is wounded, and also Mr. Curry's body.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at City Hall, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 22nd February, 1930, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1929.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 10th February, to Saturday, the 22nd February, 1930 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. C. HYNES,
Chief Manager,
Hong Kong, 3rd February, 1930.

NOTICE.

THE EXCHANGE BANKS will be OPEN for the Transaction of Public Business at 9.30 a.m. on MONDAY, TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, the 24th, 25th and 26th instant and CLOSE at 12 noon (Race Meeting).
Hong Kong, 19th Feb., 1930.

UNION WATERBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY FIFTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Company, Limited, on MONDAY, the 10th March, 1930, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1929. THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st March to 10th March, 1930, both dates inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
General Managers,
Hong Kong, 13th February, 1930.

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THE REGISTER of MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from 28th February, 1930 to 12th March, 1930, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

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Hong Kong, 19th Feb., 1930.

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THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 8th March, 1930, to WEDNESDAY, 19th March, 1930, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
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Hong Kong, 19th Feb., 1930.

NOTICES.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING, 1930.
22nd, 24th, 25th, 26th February
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Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will not be on sale at the Race Course.

Members can obtain, upon application to the Secretary, badges (limited to two) for the free admission to the Members' Enclosure of wives, lady relatives and friends. Names must be stated when applying.

On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3. per day for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

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By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 10th February, 1930.

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FREE TRADE

Empire As A Single Economic Unit

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The Danger of American Trade Expansion

LOCAL DEBATE

There was another large attendance at the European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, on the occasion of a debate on Thursday night on the motion, "That this meeting is in favour of Free Trade within the Empire."

Mr. P. S. Cassidy, Chairman of the Literary and Debating Committee, presided.

Mr. A. C. Jeffreys, moving for the affirmative, claimed that if Great Britain were to maintain her position as a leading trading nation the Empire must be developed as a single economic unit. The Empire included some quarter of the land surface of the world, and its population roughly a quarter of the world's. Within its confines could be found every conceivable article required in our every day life, from essentials to luxuries. A scheme whereby, in return for the imposition in Great Britain of tariffs on goods competing with Empire products, British manufactured goods would have free access to Empire markets, would stimulate the flow of trade between Great Britain and the Dominions, Colonies and Dependencies and lead to increased employment and a greater buying capacity.

The present system of tariff walls within the Empire, continued the speaker, was a wasteful one in that the primary industries in the Dominions particularly were being sacrificed to subsidise and struggling manufacturing industries in these Dominions.

ECONOMIC EFFECTS OF TARIFFS

The economic effect of the import tariff barriers which had been raised in the Dominions was bound to react unfavourably on the exports of the Dominions' primary products, in that a competitive level for Empire products was not possible unless the ships which carried the products of the Colonies and Dominions carried on their outward journey the manufactured goods of Great Britain, which, through years of experience, was in a unique position for supplying at cheaper prices. Even with the aid of high tariffs, few of Australia's manufacturing industries were prospering. A scheme of Empire Free Trade would do away with artificial barriers against Empire goods and lead to each unit of the Empire concentrating on the products for which she was most fitted.

The Rev. Frank Short, leading for the negative, said that properly the motion should read "that this meeting is in favour of Free Trade within the Empire, but understanding by that the necessity of preferential tariffs or some other form of tariff against imports from countries other than Empire units." It would be easy to reproduce all the old arguments in favour of Free Trade. One recalled the pictures of the breakfast table of the working man, and of the loaf steadily rising in price. Every argument which had been in the past put forward in favour of Free Trade and against the imposition of tariffs, which the resolution implied, held good to-day. Any policy which interfered with competitive trade and the free and unfettered movement of goods was bound to affect adversely the proper level of prices, and was a short-sighted policy.

Free Trade Favoured

Continuing, the speaker asked "what is the economic unit in the world to-day?" There were those who claimed it on behalf of a single nation, and those who pointed to the federation of British peoples known as the British Empire. He suggested that modern history discredited either view. There was no economic unit in the world to-day smaller than the world itself. If one followed modern movements in economic theories and economic conferences held in connection with the League of Nations, one would find that there was not a single such Conference since the War which had not favoured free trade. And these Conferences were not attended by ranks, but consisted of people who had a greater view of the peace and well-being of the world than those who looked merely to the economic development of a single unit.

The old cry of aggression for aggression's sake was gone, but it was increasingly recognised that the weapon of economic advance was taking its place as the chief danger to the peace of the world. The energies which were being devoted to the furtherance of tariffs in favour of Empire trade would be better devoted to furthering improvement in the real prosperity of the world.

American Expansion

Mr. E. R. Price, seconding Mr. Jeffreys, agreed that world-wide free trade was the ideal to work for, but so long as other countries had not come into line there was no need why Great Britain should be



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MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.

SYDNEY MARU Thursday, 5th March.

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MENADO MARU Thursday, 6th March, 10 a.m.

NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.

HAMBURG MARU Sunday, 2nd March.

JAPAN PORTS.

PEKING MARU Sunday, 23rd February.

TACOMA MARU Monday, 24th February.

HAMBURG MARU Sunday, 2nd March.

KEELUNG—Via Swatow & Amoy.

HOZAN MARU Sunday, 23rd February, Noon.

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SHIPPING SECTION.

U.S. SHIPBUILDING SITUATION

PRESENT TOTAL OF UNFINISHED CONTRACTS

IMPROVED OUTPUT

A survey of shipbuilding in the United States during 1929 made by the National Council of American Shipbuilders, which includes in its membership all of the shipyards building ocean-going tonnage, indicates an improved outlook. Unfinished contracts on January 1, 1930, included approximately \$90,000,000 worth of merchant vessels and \$30,000,000 worth of naval vessels. This compares with \$20,000,000 worth of merchant vessels and \$30,000,000 worth of naval vessels on January 1, 1929.

The survey shows that only eight sea-going vessels of 1,000 gross tons or over were delivered during 1929. These consisted of:

One scout cruiser, the Salt Lake City, with geared turbine drive; one passenger vessel, the Pennsylvania; with turbo-electric drive; two colliers, the Berwindvale and Berwindgen, with reciprocating engines and pulverised coal equipment; two inter-island vessels, the Hualalai and Humuula, for service among the Hawaiian Islands, with geared turbine drive, and two tankers, the Blue Sunoco and the Berwindgen, with diesel electric drive.

All other vessels delivered during the year were yachts, ferryboats, barges, car floats and other small craft.

The values of new contracts for sea-going vessels of 1,000 gross tons and over awarded during the year were:

Approx Type of Ship.	No. value.
Scout cruisers	2 \$21,000,000
Passenger vessels	6 37,600,000
Combination vessels	6 13,800,000
Tankers	14 23,455,000

Reasons for Improvement

"The increase in the number of passenger and combination vessels," it is stated, "has been made possible by the aid accorded shipowners by the mail contract provision of the Merchant Marine Act of 1928, and by the construction loan fund created by the act. The distinct revival in oil tanker construction has been brought about by the continually growing world-wide demand for oil in many fields of industry."

"While there has been a marked improvement in shipbuilding in 1929, the present volume of unfinished contracts, even if continued, will not be sufficient to maintain the shipyards in operation at their normal capacity. They will employ only about 31,000 workmen to carry on the present programme of shipbuilding while it is estimated that not less than 40,000 workmen would be required if the yards were to be operated at normal capacity. There are still more than 30 unassigned building ways available for ship construction."

"To maintain the present volume of ship construction, will involve an expenditure of at least \$75,000,000 each year for additional work. The probable award of new contracts for the transportation of mails, and the anticipated future orders for oil tankers reasonably assure the yards of a substantial volume of new construction during the next two or three years. Beyond this period the principal volume of new construction will be contingent upon the replacement of the present cargo vessels employed both in the foreign and in coastwise trade."

The Tramp Trade

"The necessity of providing cargo vessels for the direct foreign trade of the United States is so great that there is little likelihood of any demand for the construction of cargo vessels for what is generally known as the tramp trade. Their future use appears to be possible only under joint ownership and operation with passenger and combination vessels. Therefore the future demand for cargo vessels for the foreign trade will come from owner operating passenger and combination vessels on established routes and to whom the ship-builders will necessarily look for contracts for the construction of such vessels."

"The replacement of the present obsolescent cargo fleet must be made by the owners operating passenger and combination vessels, and delay in affording aid to establish lines operating such vessels will mean a corresponding delay in the replacement of the cargo fleet. The replacement of coastwise cargo vessels will depend largely upon the ultimate disposition of the remainder of the idle shipping fleet."

"In his endeavour to carry out the spirit of the Merchant Marine Act of 1928 the Postmaster General has encountered difficulties in applying the text of the Act to contracts for the carriage of mails. It is hoped that these difficulties will be overcome without further legislation."

lation, but if legislation be necessary it is essential that it be enacted during the present session of Congress to facilitate the awarding of future contracts for ship construction."

Loans to Shipowners

Commenting upon the position of the U.S. shipbuilding industry, Nauticus (New York), says:

"Not in many years has the industry enjoyed as great an activity still more important orders to come, both of which factors are a result of the assistance granted shipowners by the Government through the Construction Loan Fund of the Shipping Board, which allows owners facilities for borrowing up to 75 per cent. of the amount spent upon new construction and/or renewals. As is well known, the rate of interest on ships built for coastwise trade is 5½ per cent., while on loans for ships intended for foreign trade the interest rate is about 3 per cent. However, the Shipping Board appears to have issued a ruling to the effect that the lower rate applies only from the time that the ship is in active service; i.e., trading to foreign parts, so that the rate of 5½ per cent. would apply while the ship is in process of construction."

"In order to remedy this situation, it is announced that Representative Free, of California, will introduce in Congress, as soon as it convenes, a bill defining the period of 'inactive service' as that during which the ship is unemployed after construction, thereby allowing owners of ships intended for foreign trade the benefit of the lower rate of interest while the ship is being completed. As the Government allows 20 years with in which to repay loans, and in view of the considerable sums which owners intend to spend on new ships within the next years in order to comply with the terms of mail contracts, it is hoped that Congress will enact the proposed measure in order to make the practice of rendering financial assistance conform more strictly with the spirit of the Jones-White Act."

EASTERN PORTS

Details of Health Bulletin

Bulletin

The health bulletin of Eastern ports for the week ended February 15, issued by the Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, give the following cases:

Plague

Madras: 1 case.

Colombo: 2 cases, 2 deaths.

Cheribon: 1 case.

Phnom Penh: 1 death.

Calcutta: 65 cases, 45 deaths.

Bangkok: 1 case.

Phnom Penh: 1 death.

Small-pox:

Mombasa: 8 cases.

Bagdad: 2 cases, 1 death.

Bombay: 112 cases, 57 deaths.

Calcutta: 96 cases, 63 deaths.

Cochin: 62 cases, 8 deaths.

Karachi: 5 cases, 4 deaths.

Madras: 39 cases, 5 deaths.

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*Alipore	5,270	19th Mar.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
Rawalpindi	16,619	29th Mar.	Bombay, Marselles & London.
Malwa	10,980	12th Apr.	Bombay, Marselles & London.
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		1930		
Taklawa	7,030	26th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.	
Tilamra	10,000	17th Mar.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.	
Talamba	8,018	22nd Mar.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.	
Takada	9,649	28th Mar.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.	
Talma	10,000	11th Apr.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.	

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		1930		
*Tanda	6,056	28th Feb.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island.	
St. Albans	4,500	4th Apr.	Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne.	
Nellore	6,853	2nd May	—	

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		1930		
Talamba	8,018	27th Feb.	Amoy, Shai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.	
Rawalpindi	16,619	28th Feb.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.	
Takada	6,949	5th Mar.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.	
St. Albans	4,500	11th Mar.	Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.	
Nagore	5,233	14th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.	
Talma	10,000	19th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.	
Rajputana	16,565	28th Mar.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.	
Shirala	7,841	31st Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.	
Beltana	—	6th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.	
Khyber	9,114	8th Apr.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.	
Taklawa	7,938	8th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.	
Kashgar	9,005	11th Apr.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.	

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It is, for instance, one matter to attract tonnage and another matter to keep it. Efficiency in docks management is a big contributory factor in ensuring this, and it is in this respect that Southampton is fortunate. And while mentioning facilities one must not be unmindful of the efforts of the Southampton Harbour Board, for unless they maintained the deep water channel at the required depth the big ships at least would never be able to reach their berths.

Although at the moment the Southern Railway Company have not announced the official statistics in regard to traffic at the docks during the past year, a careful calculation was made, which shows that under eleven out of the twelve headings, records were broken during 1928. The number of ships both inward and outward increased by about 175, the inward total in 1928 being 3,415 and outward 3,410.

A Substantial Jump

As a result of the advance which took place the totals in the past year were approximately 3,580 inward and 3,585 outward. The increase in the number of vessels using the docks was not unnaturally reflected in the tonnage entering and leaving the port, and it is estimated that the incoming tonnage advanced by about 850,000 tons during 1928, and the outgoing by roughly 900,000 tons. During the previous year the respective totals were 16,414,900 tons and 16,737,000 tons, so that with the addition of the figures previously mentioned, the aggregate for the past 12 months was about 17,260,000 tons inward and 17,270,000 tons outward.

This substantial jump is extremely satisfactory, but even so, the net tonnage totals are quite as pleasing. In that case there was an increase of about 486,000 tons inward and 510,000 tons outward, thus the North Atlantic district, and the Pacific district, Central America, north coast of South America and West Indies, together accounting for 7.6 per cent.; Pacific district—Eastern Asia (China, Japan, Philippines, and East Indies) with 7.5 per cent.; and North Atlantic district—East coast of South America, with 6.7 per cent.

U.S. ships, in 1928, carried 31.5 per cent. of the country's ocean-going foreign trade, on the tonnage basis, excluding tanker cargoes.

The participation was rather evenly divided between imports and exports, the percentage of the former being 31.6 and of the latter 31.3. Of the leading routes, the highest percentage registered was on the North Atlantic—west coast of South America route, where as much as 60.8 per cent. was carried in American ships. Of the same routes, the lowest percentage registered was on the Pacific-U.K., Havre-Hamburg range, North Atlantic-Europe, and Baltic-Europe, where only 4.8 per cent. was carried in U.S. ships.

In the trade of the North Atlantic district, the leading foreign regions participating are: Central America, north coast of South America and West Indies. Next ranks the Havre-Hamburg range, and following that the United Kingdom.

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In the trade of the Gulf district, the foreign region of first importance is: Baltic Europe and the Havre-Hamburg range. Next follows Central America, north coast of South America and West Indies. In third place ranks the Mediterranean and Black Sea.

Mr. Amos L. Ayre, of South Shields, who has retired from the Tyne Pilotage Authority after 35 years' service has been presented with a gold watch by the Pilot Committee. He has been in the service since he was 14 years of age, and has held the position of vice-president of the United Kingdom Pilots' Association.

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Hong Kong, Saturday, Feb. 22, 1930.

STILL WATERS

Hong Kong has many laws which are both ambiguous and bigamous and whimsical. Take the Ordinance governing the issuance of a licence to hawkers for instance. Hardly a day passes without some Chinese being brought before the local Police Courts charged with the offence of hawking without a licence. A great number of these delinquents convinced the presiding Magistrates that they were honest and really in earnest to make an honest living. They had applied at the Licensing Office for a licence and had been refused. They were not telling an untruth, for in most cases the prosecuting Police officers could not deny that such was the case. One is therefore led to ask why should the Police Authorities refuse these men a licence when they are able to pay for it and are really desirous of becoming respectable citizens? Chinese hawkers are illiterate and in a small place like Hong Kong there is hardly any other job to which they can turn with the result that if a licence is denied them, they will either defy the authorities and keep on hawking without a licence, or turn into foot-pads.

It is indeed pitiable to see a large number of women, men and children being turned away from the Licensing Office. Most of them go there with their hearts full of hopes and with the \$4 to pay for their licence, either borrowed from charitable persons, or the proceeds of some clothing in pawn, but only to be told that they could not get a licence. Their hopes shattered, and at their wits' end, they may be driven by sheer desperation into committing larceny and other petty crimes. Is there no remedy, one may ask? The Ordinance says: "All licences shall be granted and issued, at their discretion, by the officers named in the schedule on payment of the fees and for the periods set forth therein." In another paragraph it says, "Any person aggrieved by the refusal of a licence may appeal to the Governor, who may direct the proper officer to issue such a licence." It will therefore be seen that there is a remedy, but it is one that an illiterate and poor hawkers may never hope to secure in the way suggested.

The local Russian White Cultural Association, which came into being only a short time ago, already has a long list of members, not a few of whom are Britons who are in sympathy with the movement. The aims and objects of the Association are to unite into one family and one common fellowship all the White Russian emigres of the various countries formerly within the Imperial Russian Empire, who have suffered from the Revolution and who have now, in the course of time, settled down and become domiciled in the Colony of Hong Kong and its vicinity. The Association will assist in the maintenance of a spirit of fellowship and unity among all White Russians by promoting their social intercourse, by the encouragement of sport and recreation, and by the support and development of all cultural beginnings, and also render help and support to all White Russian men and women, if need be, "to uphold their dignity, honour and self-respect."

A moving spirit Fought of the Cultural Under Gen. Association, and Wrangel one whose enthusiasm has largely been responsible for its formation and development, is Mr. Vasil B. Moynseenko-Veliki, the indefatigable Honorary Secretary. Mr. Veliki, like so many of the exiled White Russians, has had a distinguished military career. Originally an Imperial Naval Cadet, he was drafted during the war into a Cossack Regiment, later receiving a commission. On the outbreak of the Revolution he fought under the late General Wrangel, and suffered many vicissitudes before he left the fallen Russian Empire. Mr. Veliki, who holds several decorations for his services during the war, was connected with a firm of architects in Singapore before he came to Hong Kong, and whilst in Malaya was Captain of the Singapore Fencing Club. He was also interested in the development of a fencing association which was formed last year in Kowloon, but which disintegrated owing to lack of support.

Recently the China Mail drew the attention of the public to the sad state of affairs existing in the Colony, and pointed out that where sanitary measures are concerned we

are not only behind the times as compared with Western cities but that the International Settlement of Shanghai can give us 50 years and yet tick us. We have no Sanatorium and no Isolation Hospital in Hong Kong, and if an epidemic of any deadly disease were to ravage Hong Kong, we would be at a loss to combat it. It was, therefore, to be expected that the unofficial members of the Sanitary Board should have taken up this vital problem. Dr. Koch, however, is pessimistic. He said at the fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board that motions and resolutions had gone up to the Government and nothing had happened, which may possibly be true of the effort to move the Government to action regarding tuberculosis.

News in Brief

The name of Dr. Cheung Shing-fan, B.M., B.S. (Hong Kong) has been added to the register of medical practitioners.

Messrs. Justen J. McCarthy, A.C.A., and Mortimer Reid and See have been appointed auditors under the Companies Ordinance.

For doing some trick cycling at West Point yesterday, a Chinese youth was this morning fined \$10 or 14 days by Mr. E. W. Hamilton.

According to a report to the Police, a Chinese in the employment of a Chinese firm at West Point, is suspected of having absconded with \$4,825, entrusted to him by his master.

Information has been received from Wuchow that Mr. Wooding, of the Asiatic Petroleum Company, is seriously ill, in all probability suffering from meningitis. He has been sent to Samsuih as there is no European doctor at Wuchow.

A lecture entitled "Some Remarkable Inventions" will be given by Professor C. A. Middleton Smith, M.Sc., M.I.Mech.E., etc., on Thursday, February 27, at 8.45 p.m. in Room "K" of the University. The lecture will be of a popular nature and illustrated. It will be held under the auspices of the University Engineering Society and the general public are invited to attend.

MILITARY ABSENTEE

Yesterday a paragraph in Police reports gave information that a warrant had been issued on Thursday for the arrest of Sergt. Crawley, of the Somerset Light Infantry, who was wanted by the Military authorities as an absentee from his regiment.

This morning it was announced that the Sergeant had been arrested by the Police and handed over to a military escort.

A man charged at Marlborough Street Police Court said that he had eaten, among other things, six candies and twelve lighted cigarettes.

DAMAGE TO H.M.S.
DURBANSEVERE STORM IN THE
BAHAMAS

BOATS DRIVEN ASHORE

Rugby, Yesterday. The Admiralty states that during a severe and sudden storm at Nassau, Bahamas, on Monday last, violent seas broke over the forecastle and upper deck of the cruiser Durban. A commissioned gunner named Whitaker had two ribs broken, besides other minor injuries, and a blacksmith, Renton, also received minor injuries.

During the storm three of the boats belonging to the ship were driven ashore, two of them being practically destroyed. — British Wireless Service.

DARTMOOR PRISON

Fast Becoming a Private
School

Dartmoor prison is becoming almost a private school, writes a correspondent to the Shanghai Times.

Inmates are now given the privilege of studying history, arithmetic, geography and the natural sciences. Books on almost any subject are available in the prison library. Bare cells of the old days have been converted into comfortable "studios" and those who have been in residence a few years are allowed to sleep in rooms that are often furnished better than their own homes.

The inmates are graded according to the number of years they have been in residence. The "freshmen" have to rough it somewhat, but after 18 months are transferred to "Liberty Hall," officially known as "D" hall where, if their conduct has been good, they get their first privileges.

There is a jazz band. Food is varied each day, the same menu never being repeated for three weeks. Pocket money is furnished those who reach a sufficiently privileged state.

Officials say that the new system produces zest for good behavior, as bad conduct means a loss of all privileges.

Ten Years Ago

(From the "China Mail," February 22, 1920.)

To-day's dollar is worth 5/-.

Many people were present at the V.R.C. last night to watch the first match in connection with the Club's annual tournament for the Billiard Championship of the Colony, between W. J. Langford and J. Parkes.

Both players were in excellent form.

Parkes took the lead with a break of 22. Langford overhauled him soon afterwards with a break of 21. A neck-and-neck struggle followed and when the 25 mark was reached, they were even. Parkes again forged ahead and established a lead of 50. He won by 62 points.

MEN, WOMEN, AND AFFAIRS

Cathedral Dignitaries: Ramsay's Right Hand: Photography in China: Convalescing At Cannes

A Frothy Literary Gentleman

The Dancing Dean

ONLY those who have lived among the elect of a cathedral city can realise the conjecture which precedes the coming of a new dean. His social gifts, which received recognition in the New Year Honours' list.

She is a very capable person, with an immense capacity for work, and what must be no less important to her chief, a well-developed ability for keeping in touch with all that is going on inside and outside the Socialist party.

She is also a model of discretion, as a result of which few matters with which the Prime Minister has to do are kept secret from her.

But though she has worked with Mr. MacDonald for many years, the service for which she has been especially commended, was rendered during the Prime Minister's recent visit to America.

It needed not another

Swift to say, "Good Mr. Dean, go change your gown." Though "humility" in Cowper's phrase, means an English dean,

His material garment makes him appear not as other men.

His distinction of dress is not

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A Popular Woman Secretary

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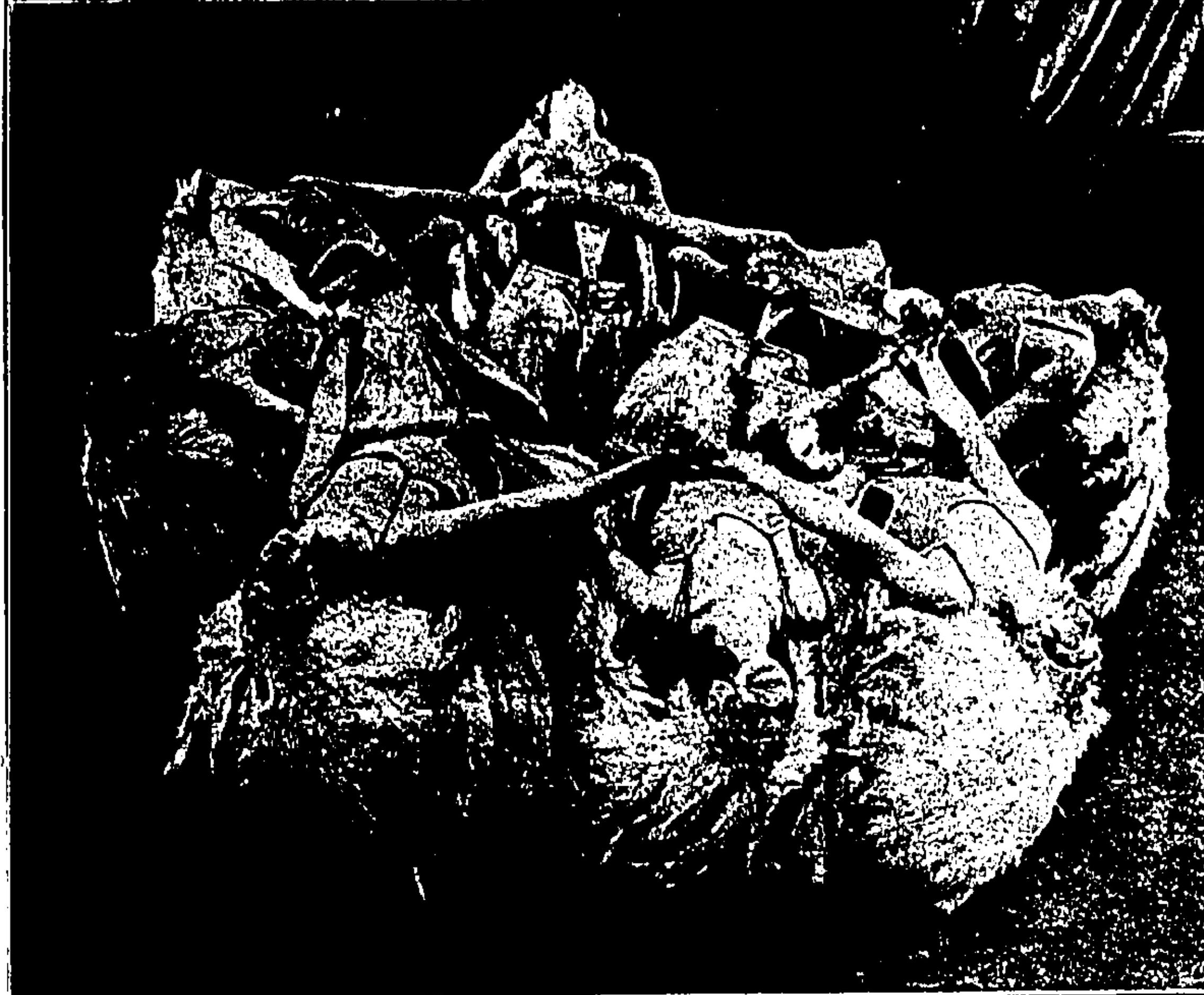
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PIONEER ART SUPPLEMENT.

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PUNCH AND JUDY.—A Punch and Judy show attracts the children at the China Light and Power Co.'s At Home and sports on Sunday.—(K. Fujiyama).



A STRIKING POSE.—The Grafton dancing girls perform for the Pathé's Sound Pictorial, London. The troupe gave a striking display of the art of dancing during their performance.—(Sport and General).



MARATHON RACE.—Bugler White, of the Somersets, who was first in the Hong Kong marathon race on Saturday.



EMPEROR OF CANADA'S TEAM.—A football team composed of members of the crew of the s.s. Empress of Canada, who drew 4-4 in a game against the "B" Company, 2nd Bn. K.O.S.B., on the U.S.R.C. ground on Saturday.—(K. Fujiyama).



"THE BLUE BIRD."—Gifted little amateur actresses who appeared in a scene adapted from M. Maeterlinck's play, "The Blue Bird," which was performed at the Diocesan Girls' School annual prize distribution on Friday.—(Alfred Lock & Co.)



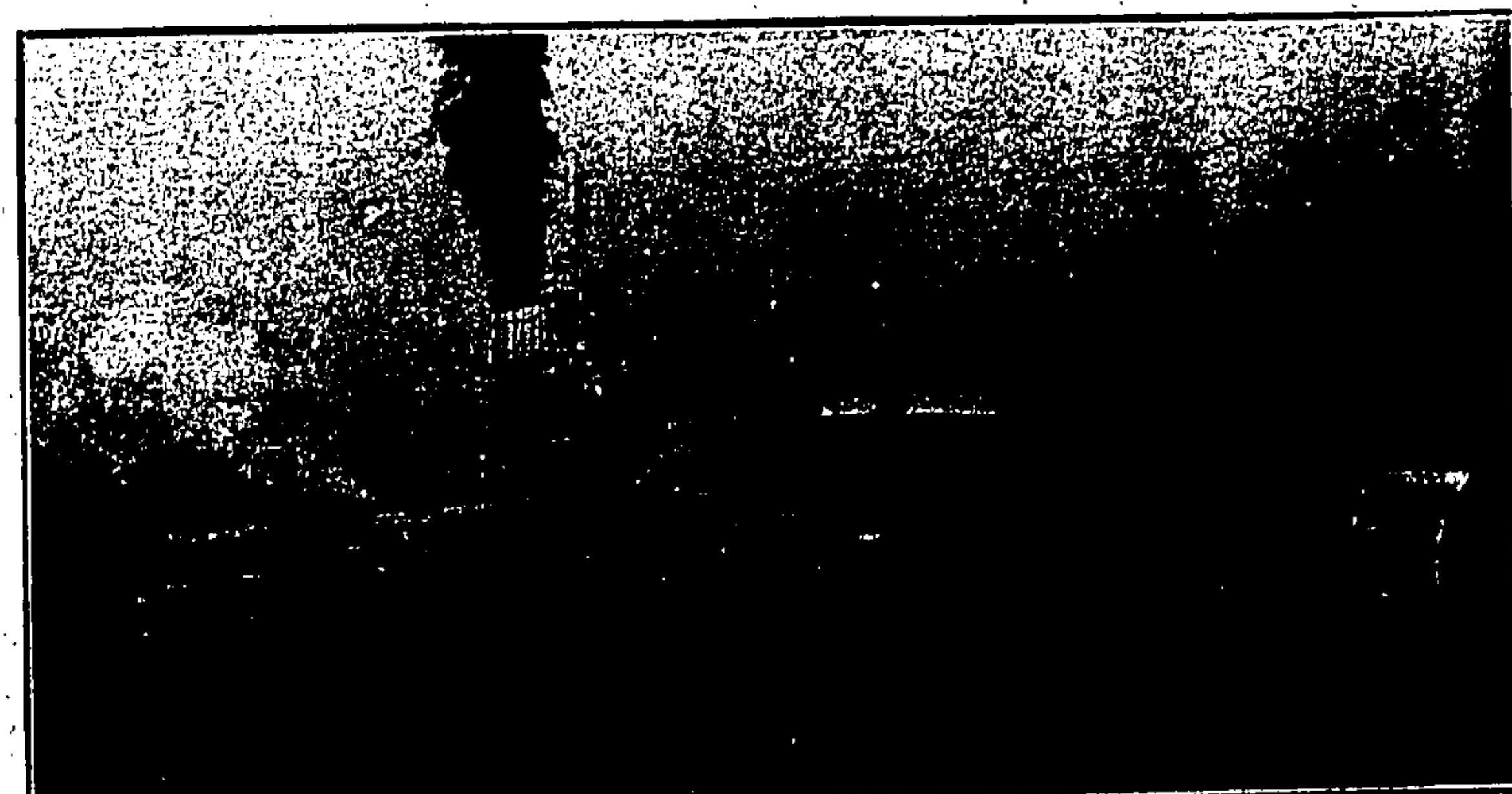
FRENCH PRIMA DONNA.—Mlle. Odette Darthys, leading Prima Donna of the Opera Comique, Paris, who will give a recital on Monday, February 24, at the Theatre Royal, Hong Kong, when she will sing excerpts from the operas in French, English and Italian..



ROUGH SEAS.—Severe gales have raged in all parts of England during the past few weeks, many lives being lost and much damage done to property. Terrific storms have been felt along the coast, the various piers and promenades being severely damaged. Rough seas dashing over the front at Bognor Regis.—(Sport and General).



MEN'S NEEDLE RACE.—The start of the men's needle race at the Central British School sports on Saturday, with Anslow as a good second.—(K. Fujiyama).



AIRCRAFT CARRIER.—H.M.S. "Glorious," leaves Devonport Dockyard, for her trials. The "Glorious" has lately been converted from a cruiser to an aircraft carrier. The "Glorious" steaming out to sea.—(Sport and General).



A NEW WALTZ.—Mr. Santos Cassani and Miss Jose Lennard, the well-known exponents of ball room dancing, demonstrate the "Skaters' Waltz" in the Pathé Studio, London.—(Sport and General).



HOLLYWOOD ROMANCE.—Now that Nils Asther and Vivian Duran have ended their engagement, Hollywood real estate agents are busily looking for houses for sale.



FANCY DRESS.—A successful fancy dress party, Club, at 123, Huai-Ming-Sui, Shanghai, was the scene of a successful fancy dress party, which was attended by a large number of members and their friends.—(Photo by Ah Fong).



SAILS FOR INDIA.—Mr. S. S. Chellaram, managing proprietor of Meesra D. Chellaram & Co., who is leaving the Colony for a holiday in India on the s.s. President Jackson.

The WOMAN'S Page



Stylish Headgear



Petals of bushes of roses velvet are adopted for this close-fitting hat. A softly looped bow is attached to one side.

Close-Fitting Hat Favoured



The close-fitting hat of velvet and grosgrain ribbon that is worn by this film star answers the purpose of forming a frame for her face and fits snugly under the luxurious sash collar of a velvet wrap.

Lenglen Love Song



The romance of Baldwin M. Baldwin and Suzanne Lenglen, tennis star, has blossomed again in Paris. The one-time greatest woman tennis player is acting as director of the sports section of a leading Paris couturier.

Assorted Colours Make Perfect Costume



Bolge and wine red have been combined for the costume and accessories chosen. These accessories consist of a bonnet style of hat with streamers in tan, tan kid gloves and a string of the red and black beads strung in a black-eyed Susan pattern.

RULING THE WAVES

That unwarmed hair is thought "odd" these days does not mean that frequent and expensive visits to the hairdresser are essential. Many waving and setting equipments are now sold to be used at home. There are clips which can be pinned to the hair after washing. These are very simple to use, but are best on naturally or permanently wavy hair. Then, an extended slide consists of a number of combs with teeth at the back, the combs being attached one to the other, so that they are put in position after the hair has been washed, and then pressed together.

Smart Fur Felt



This stylish new Model is made in stitched velvet and fur felt in beige and nigger combination.—By Reslaw, London.

HOME-PAINTED FURNITURE

It seems quite the vogue these days to buy whitewood furniture and paint it yourself. Those who insist on a little furniture of exceptionally good shape find they can judge more clearly the shape of the furniture before it is coloured or varnished. Very often, the painting looks more skilful than it really is, especially on the new kitchen fittings which are more or less straight in line, and though first experiments in cheerful colours may pall, they can be easily repainted.

RUSH TO ALTAR

"Like Buying A New Hat"

Hasty marriages were condemned in a sermon "to young folk about to marry," which the Rev. Father John Caulfield delivered at the Roman Catholic Church of St. Luke, Pinner, Middlesex, on February 19. He said:

Young girls to-day are rushing into marriage as though it were but the purchasing of a new hat. Young men seem to regard it as lightly as if it were the selection of another suit. There are three reasons for these marriages—senility, money, and position. They all end in misery.

There are these hasty weddings light-hearted couples. The honeymoon. Then the brightness fades. A few cross words. A big row. Then either separation or continued unhappiness.

I see on all sides the tragedies, the ghastly tragedies, which are the result of haste. To the outside world couples may seem happy and contented, but I, who have been a priest for twenty-eight years, have seen the terrible misery and unhappiness that lies behind. Men come home and their hearts fall when they think of what awaits them—a nagging wife. Can you blame them if they go out and spend and enjoy?

Women of these marriages grow extravagant. "He goes out and spends; why shouldn't I?" they ask. The children are brought up to their example.

BARBOLA WORK

Women who are interested in barbola work, now find that when they have completed the decoration on the stem of a lamp, they can have the parchment shade painted with the same design. It is a pretty idea, and suggests itself for a series of gifts.

For instance, when giving presents to a favourite relative, you could follow the lamp and shade with an attractive mirror, and there are blotters, pen trays and powder bowls all adorned by sprays or barbola flowers.

PIQUE TORTOISESHELL

Lady Ada Boyd is one of those who decided to go off to still warmer weather in the West Indies. She left behind her in London a fine collection of pique-tortoiseshell, an interest that she shares with the Queen.

Tortoiseshell is "pique" when it is softened in boiling water, and then designs in gold and silver are worked in it, which stand out finely when the tortoiseshell hardens again.

This is an art of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, and consequently one of the best places for "finds" of pique-tortoiseshell is Brighton.

It was at an old curiosity shop in Brighton that the Queen, attended by Lady Ada Boyd, discovered a really lovely box, which is now in her Majesty's private collection at the Palace.

WHAT GLOVES DEMAND

The new wrist-length gloves for evening wear demand white, well-tended, and beautifully shaped arms. Courses of massage and exercises to improve the shape are given daily in a Dever-street beauty salon, and clients are taught how to perform the special movements at home.

"Gooseflesh and thin, discoloured elbows are the two commonest defects which women ask me to treat," said the beauty expert at this salon.

"Gooseflesh is caused partly by poor circulation, but more frequently by hard skin. The use of pore lotion for washing and the application of cream at night to soften the hard skin is advised. In the morning the arms should be rubbed with a special stone, which is first dipped in water. After a few weeks of this treatment the trouble should disappear.

"Thin elbows should be rubbed with a fattening cream at night and a wrinkle oil used in the daytime. The whitening lotion with which the arms are made up at night should be applied with particular care to the elbows if they are at all discoloured."

Society Matron's Dress



The dress of a modern Society matron, simplicity being the keynote in the ensemble.

FASHIONS UPSET

A thoroughly Victorian alliance is responsible for one of the smartest of the early models of hats. Buntal-straw in an acid-yellow shade has a deep brim of lemon-green, with its softening grey shadings—in taffeta, stitched and of uneven proportions, so that one side can be "dragged" down to shade the face beneath. With this model a chenille and silk scarf with straw embroidery of the two colours. This is a good model to wear with one of the new youthful and fantastic capes of cloth or silk.

A curious point about the modern millinery modes is that traditions are mostly upset. Unlined pliable shapes, made up in two or more costly silks, possess an effortless air about them, so that they can be worn with a tailored tweed or a little blouse-frock.

Similar shapes in linen and crepe-de-Chine accompany sports and tennis frocks. Some are of the old cloche shape, but the difference lies in the uneven and often wider brim. The cloche in felt provides the most excellent mode for travel.

MILLINERY AND THE COLLAR

It is interesting to observe how aquiescent women can become to the mode when it is a matter of headgear; and yet there is no item in the wardrobe where they should give more consideration to their own personality. These last months have witnessed quite good-looking women made positively plain by their, or their milliner's, selection.

The dresses and coats of to-day are mostly flattering to wear, whilst the average hat is frankly unbecoming. Models, from even the leading specialists, have not helped matters.

The difficulties experienced with collars and hats are still great, for these enormously high enveloping mountains of fur necessitate the foreshortening of the generality of draped and blocked shapes. Line has to be sacrificed to the new collar, and the violent reduction at the back is too sudden to allow of good proportions. The deeply cut fronts and fantastic sideways "slants" are never too becoming. Still, hats in general are assuming more reasonable shapes, and the great artists are combating difficulties by making every shape on the head to suit the variety of collars.

There is no special virtue in a hideous hat and a complexion that frankly confirms the proud statement of the owner that she never uses even powder. To make the best of oneself is a public duty.

WOMAN'S THOUGHTS

Is It Vanity Or Public Spirit?

Mary Macleod Moore writes in the London Telegraph:

For ages much attention to the decoration of one's body or one's face has been regarded as evidence of vanity or at least as savouring of that weakness. Many are the words of advice and of reproof which have been addressed to the matrons and maids, more especially the latter, who have done their best to add to such attractions as the Almighty gave them.

There is no denying that many have kept in their wilful way without regard to the grave faces of the prophets and the advisers, but the more sensitive have experienced a feeling of guilt about the adornment and the beautifying, which has tempered their pleasure in their own looks.

Even in these days when people are supposed to do much as they like without regard to old rules and restrictions, one feels that some apology is needed for spending much money on improving one's appearance. The dressmaker, the milliner, and the beauty-parlour seem to require some explanation, particularly when one cannot boast of spending much money in improving one's mind and adding to one's store of knowledge.

But let us turn the tables on our critics and advisers and proclaim that we are acting from public spirit when we add a touch to our faces and spend guineas on a hat. Why not? Whatever makes the world more beautiful, whatever rests and provides a feast for the eyes, whatever makes the passer-by feel more cheerful and hopeful, whether a garden, a new building, or a new frock, should win the gratitude of the public.

Really pretty women whose clothes are harmonious and suitable are a joy to watch. Making the best of themselves they add to the charm of London or of anywhere else they may happen to be, and raise the spirits of all who see them. As we have no right to assume that because their faces and their clothes are pretty, their minds are empty, we can enjoy and admire freely.

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FOR CIGARETTE SMOKERS

It is difficult to keep up with all the novelties which are sold for the storing of cigarettes, but a new device, which is certainly very intriguing, is to have the cigarettes in a nickel "egg." It works this way. There is a knob on top, and as you pull up half the "egg," the cigarettes appear all round the sides, with a space between each so that they are ready to hand round. The top is pushed down and the cigarettes disappear.

It is a clever arrangement, and has come from Paris, but it is rather expensive.

Novel Head Gear



This shows one of the latest hats with extreme long back shaped into the neck.—By Reslaw, London.

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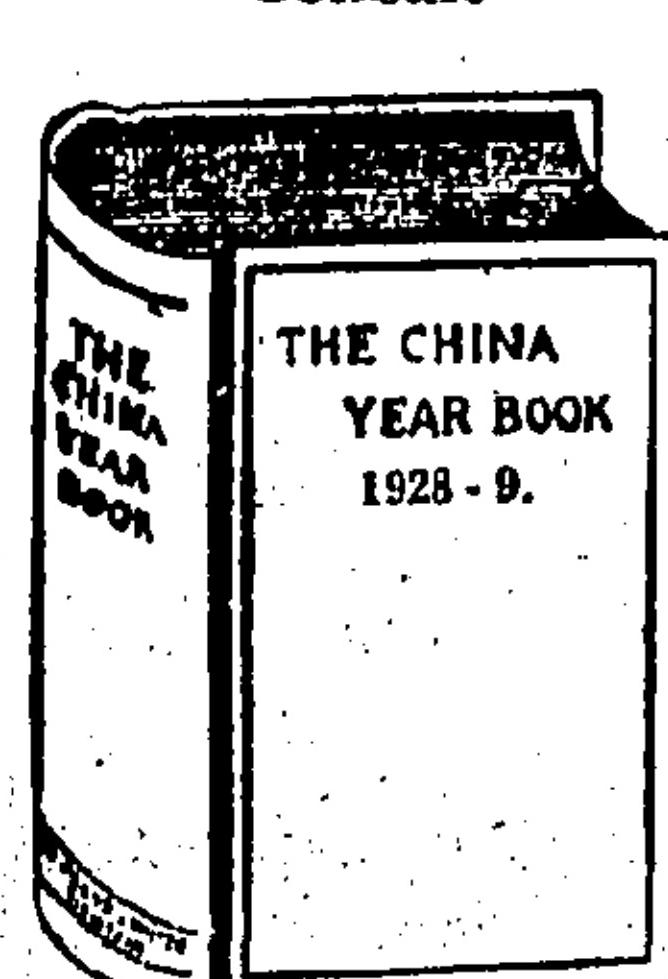
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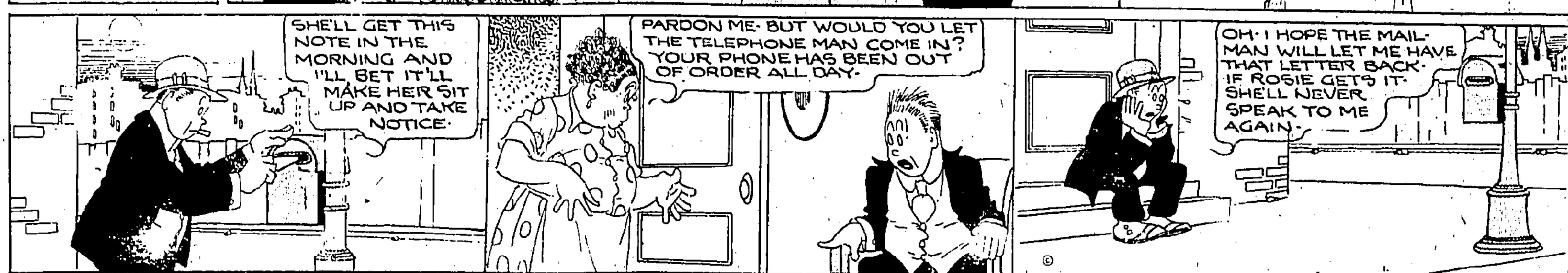


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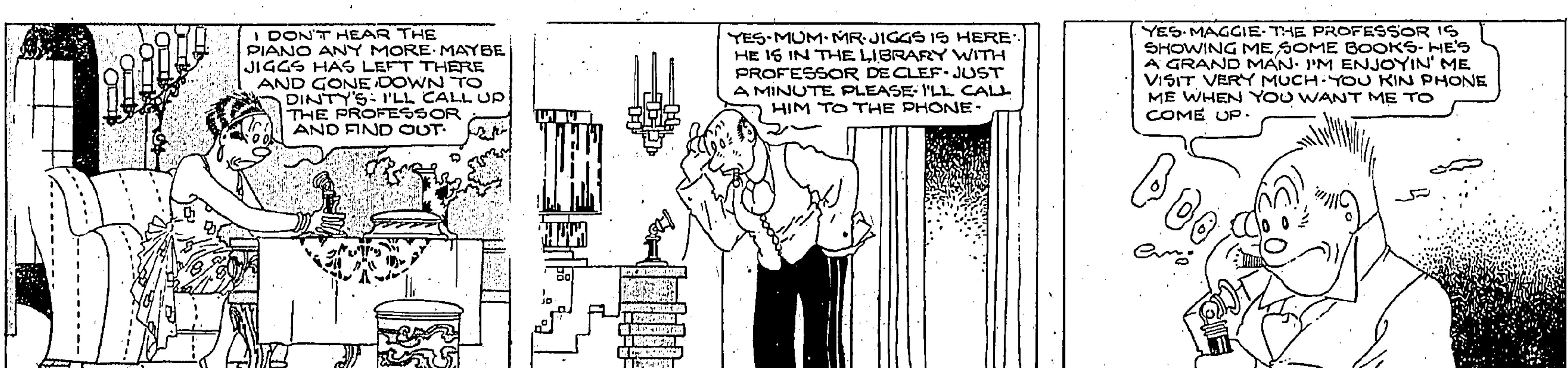
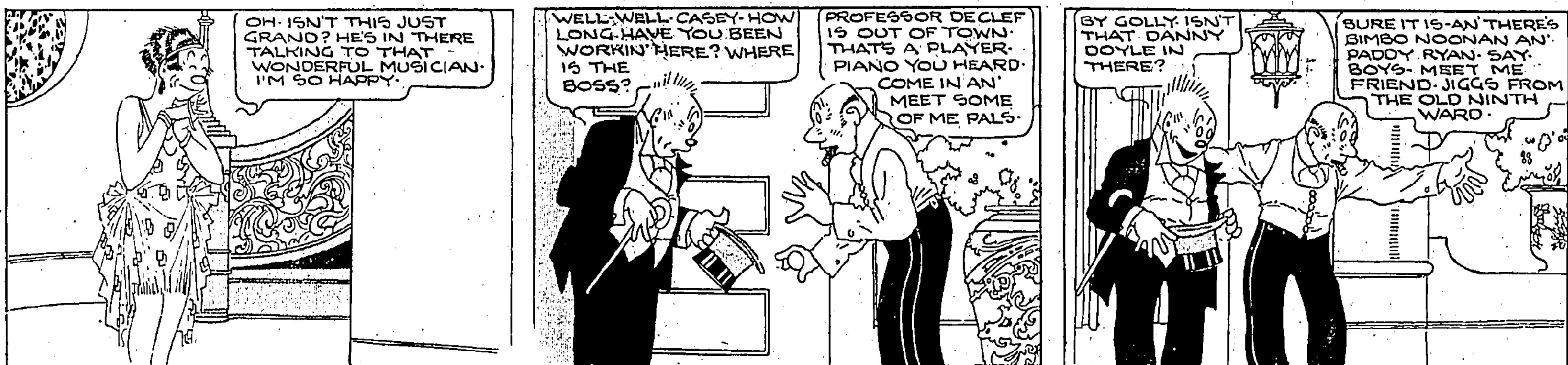
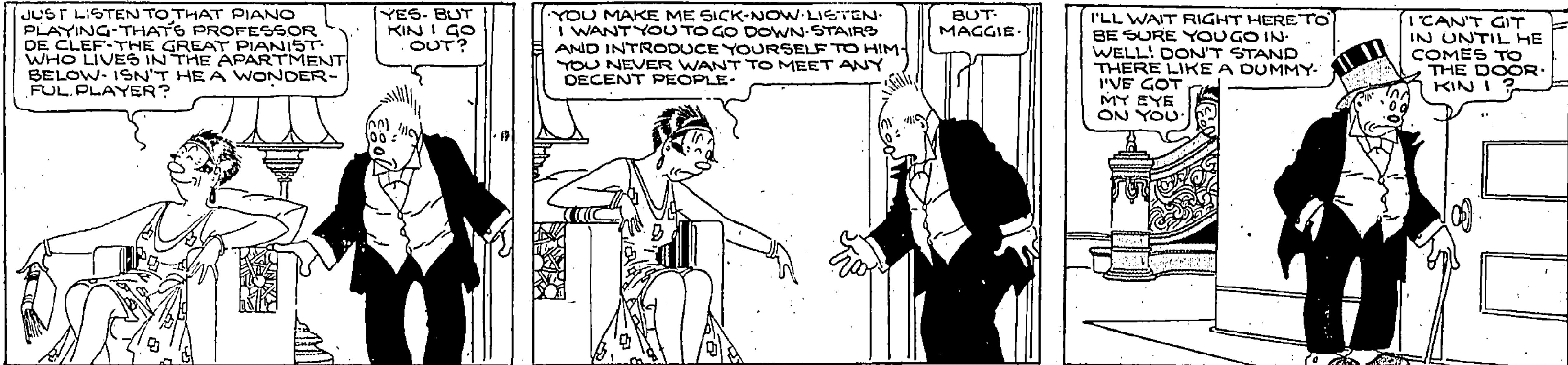
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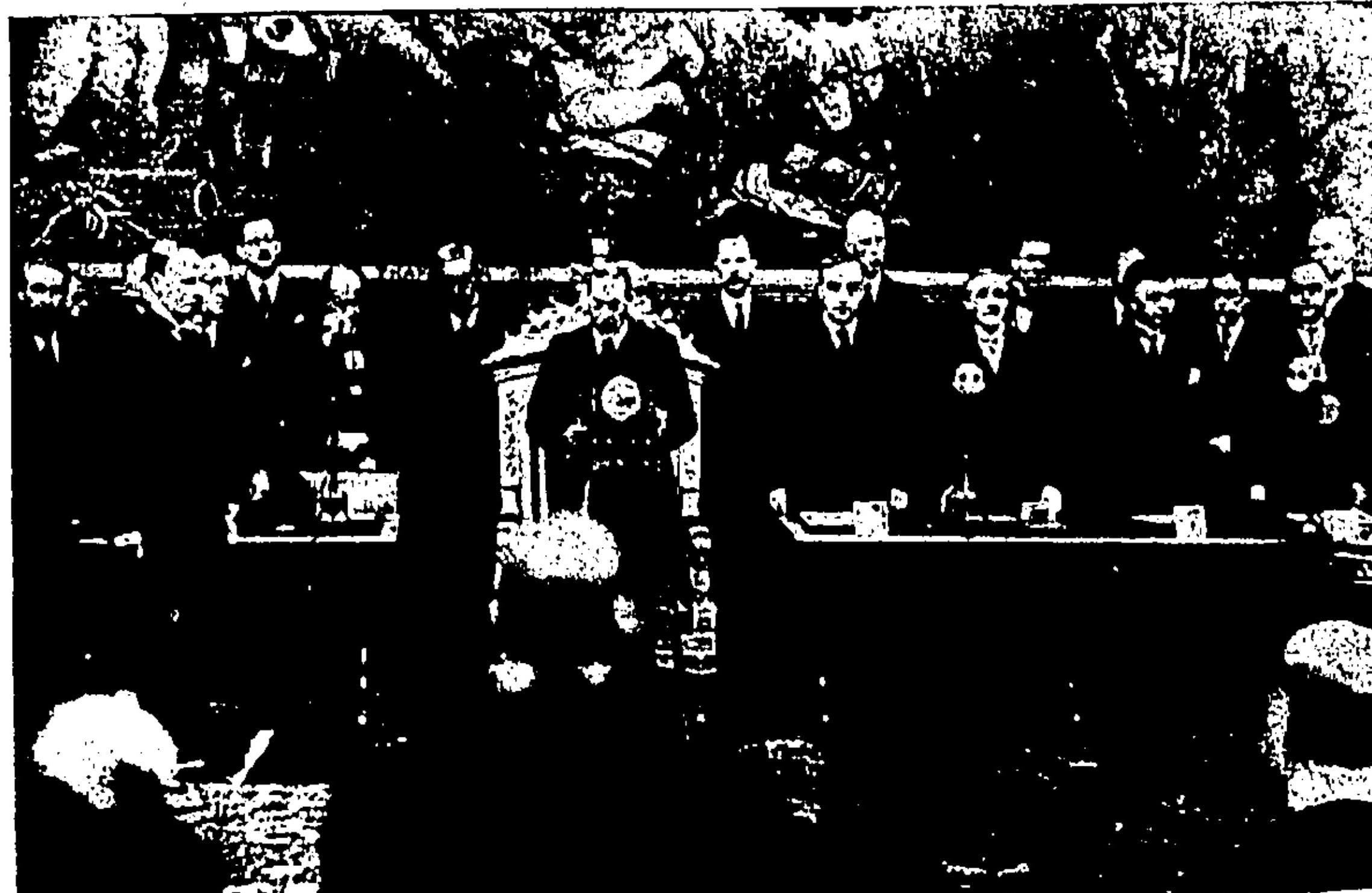
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THE CUP-TIE SPIRIT.—The Cup-tie match at Highbury, London, between Arsenal and Birmingham drew the large crowd of over 43,000. The game ended in a draw, two goals each, Birmingham being two goals down at the interval. David Jack (Arsenal inside right) centre, seen jumping for the ball, but he is well looked after by two Birmingham backs.—(Sport and General).



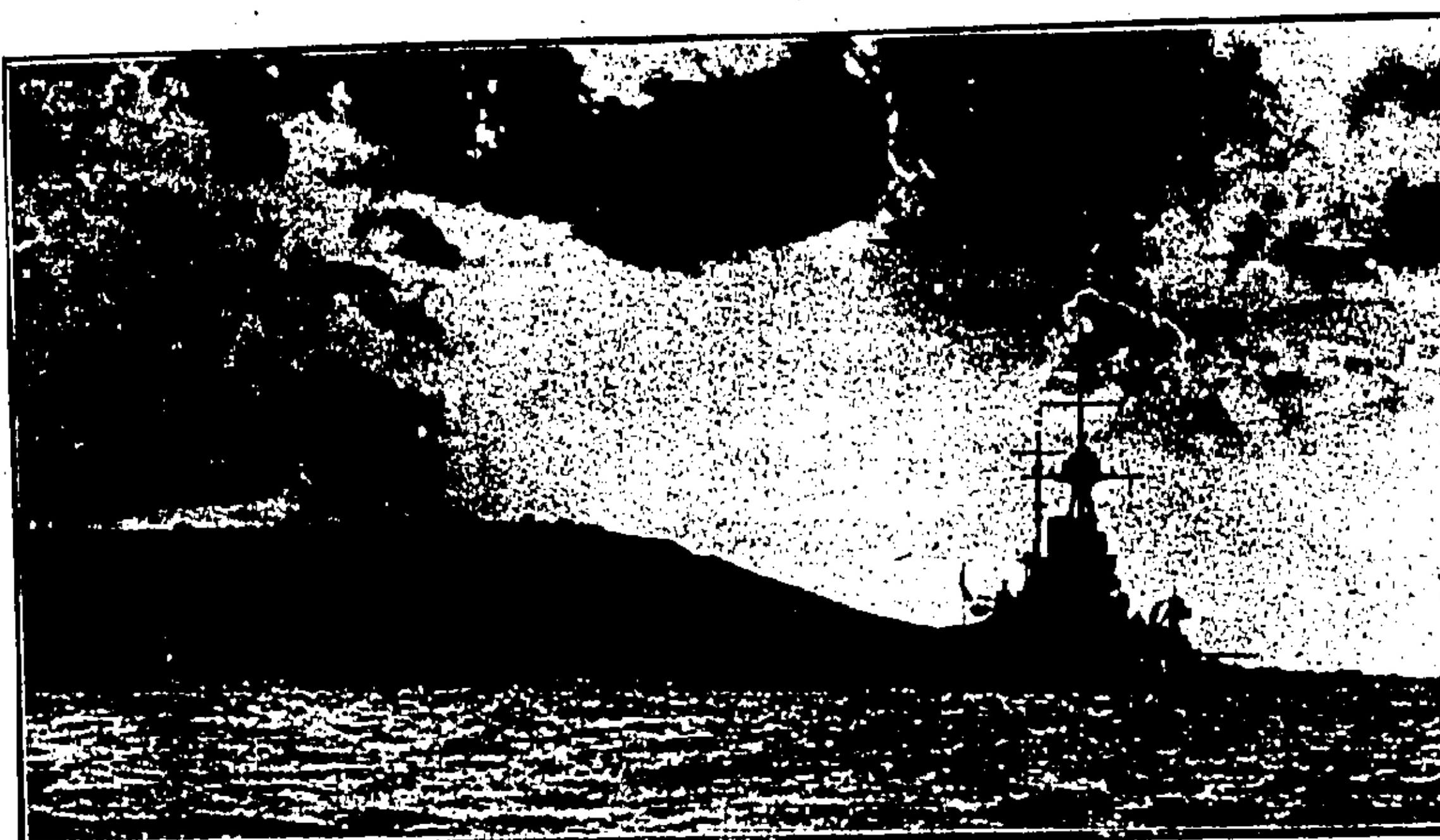
THE KING'S SPEECH.—H.M. King George opens great Navy Conference. With impressive splendour, from a golden Throne in the Golden Gallery of the House of Lords, London, H.M. King George opened the great Five-Power Naval Disarmament Conference, his speech being broadcast all over the world. This speech was His Majesty's first since his serious illness commenced fifteen months ago. H.M. the King reading his opening speech into the golden microphone to be broadcast all over the world.—(Sport and General).



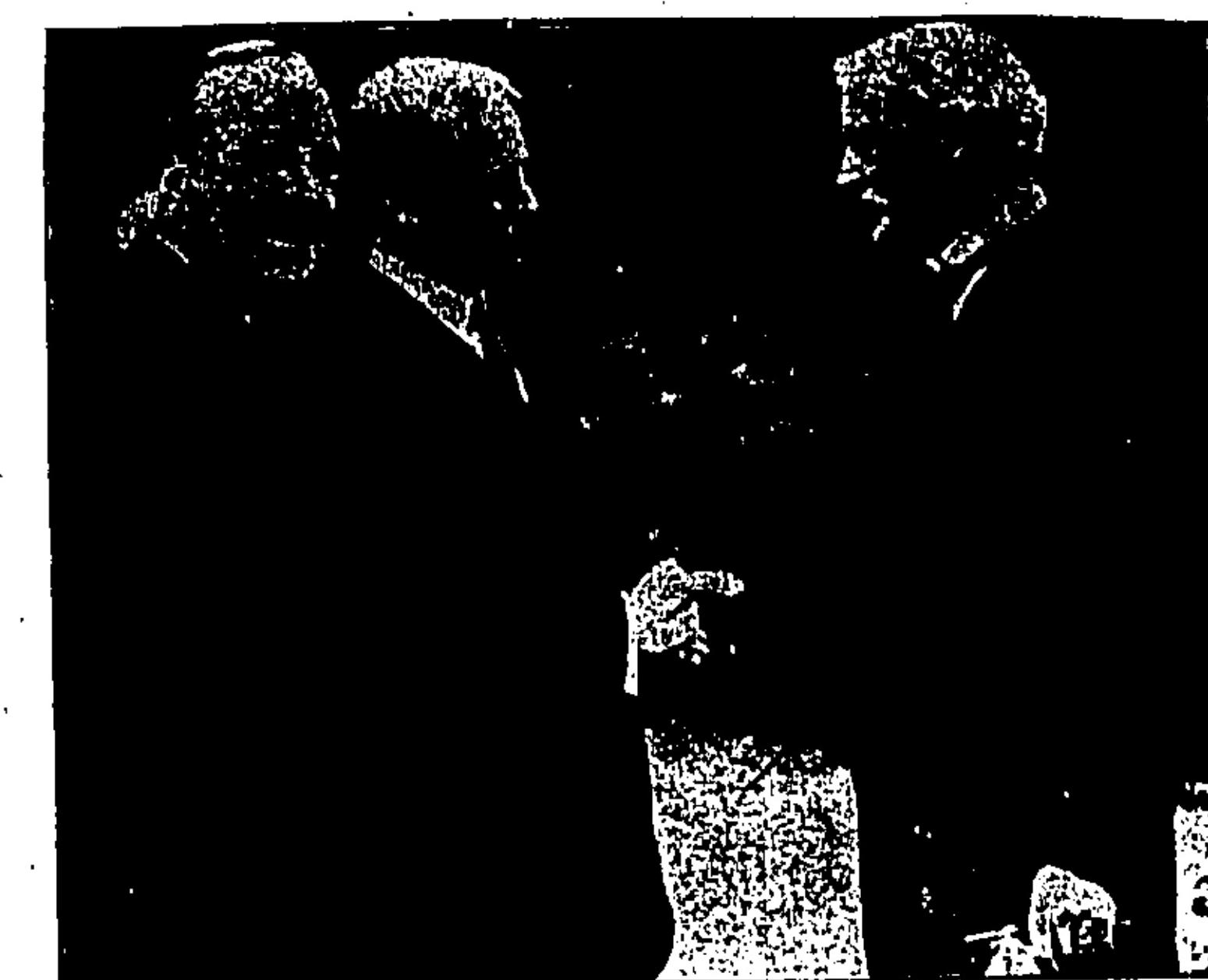
BUST OF FAMOUS SPIRITUALIST.—Mr. J. Davidson, the well-known sculptor, is seen at work on his bust of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, the famous spiritualist, with Sir Arthur posing.—(Sport and General).



DAYS THAT ARE GONE.—Visitors to London are always greatly interested in certain types of individuals who characterise life in the Metropolis as well as being objects of long standing attraction. The four-wheeled horse carriage which is almost extinct, as very few ply the London streets nowadays.—(Sport and General).



OUR STATELY NAVY.—The Atlantic fleet leaves Portland for the Spring cruise. The stately battleships H.M.S. Nelson and H.M.S. Rodney are seen steaming along under the shelter of Portland.—(Sport and General).



A PRELIMINARY TALK.—The delegations of the Five Powers—Britain, America, France, Italy and Japan—taking part in the Naval Disarmament Conference gathered under one roof, for the first time since their arrival in London. While the delegates were assembled at No. 10, Downing Street a talkie film was made. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald greeting Col. H. L. Stimson (U.S.A.), M. Tardieu (France) may be seen at left, smiling.—(Sport and General).



THREE SKATING "GRACES."—Left to right:—Miss Elsie Durkson, Miss Ellen Broekhoff and Miss Hilda Ruckert, three well-known exponents of the graceful art of skating, in a pretty pose during the skating exhibition at the Ice Stadium, St. Moritz.—(Sport and General).



ROYAL WEDDING.—Scones at the wedding festivities in Rome of Prince Umberto, Crown Prince of Italy, and Princess Marie Jose of Belgium. The Royal Bride and Bridegroom photographed in the Vatican.—(Sport and General).



KABUL'S CAPTOR IN LONDON.—General Shah Wall Khan, brother of King Nadir of Afghanistan, has arrived in London to take up his appointment as Afghan Minister in London. Left to right: Aga Zulzuktur Khan (Councillor), General Shah Khan (seated) and Aga Ghulam Umar Khan (Premier Secretary) at Afghan Legation, London, January 11.—(Sport and General).



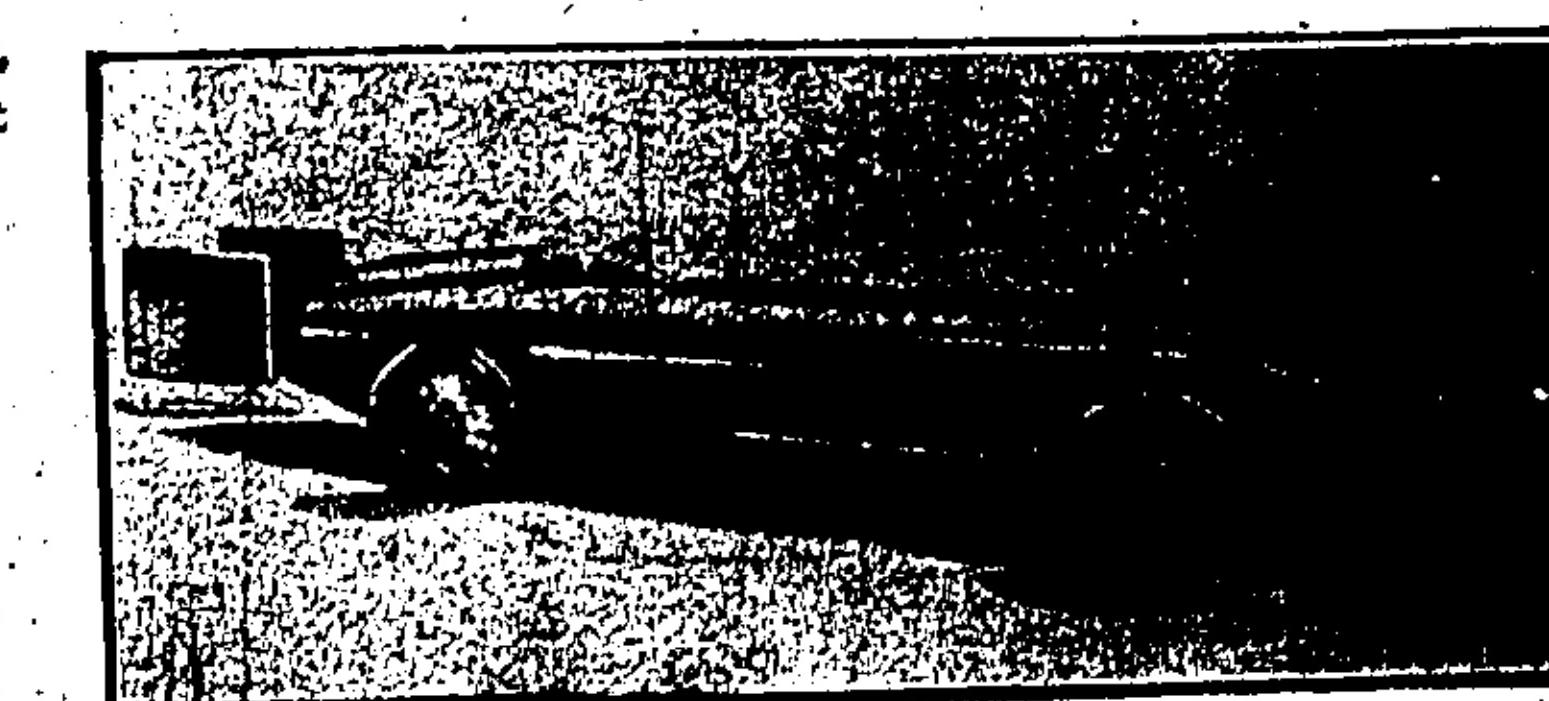
WINDOW SMASHING FOR TALKIE.—A queer way of earning a living. Harry Lorraine, of motor cycle fame, for the benefit of Messrs. Pathe, who are making a talkie film, crashed through a large sheet of plate glass at their Teddington Studio, London. Fortunately the deed was accomplished without a scratch.—(Sport and General).



TWO-ENGINED AIRPLANE.—Lord Thomson, (the Secretary of State for Air) and Mr. E. Montague, Under-Secretary for Air, visited Hatton Air Park, Middlesex, to inspect and take a flight in a new British aeroplane with independent engines, to be used for survey work. The plane is also fitted with a photographic studio. The plane is shown.—(Sport and General).



NAVAL CONFERENCE.—Delegates from the Five-Power Naval Disarmament Conference are seen in conference with the Premier at No. 10, Downing Street. Left to right: Admiral Takeichi, Mr. Reiji Wakatsuki (ex-Premier), the Chief Delegate, Rt. Hon. Ramsay MacDonald (the Premier), Mr. Tuncio Matsuura (the Japanese Ambassador to London) and Mr. Hiroshi Hata.—(Sport and General).



KAYE DON'S SPEED CAR.—The Sunbeam car designed by Mr. Louis Coatalen and now being built for Mr. Kaye Don's attempt on the world's speed record set up by Sir Henry Segrave.—(Sport and General).



RIDERLESS HORSE.—Mr. Bayliss' "Lacock" finishes the course after throwing his jockey, Graves, two yards from home, in the Kempton Park Handicap Hounds Race.—(Sport and General).

MORE TAXATION MEASURES**DISCLOSURES BY CHINESE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE****TOBACCO INTO CANTON**

The Canton Government has hit upon another means of taxation was disclosed at the monthly meeting of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce yesterday.

In the course of the business coming up for discussion, a letter from the Colonial Secretary of Hong Kong was read. The letter stated that the Canton Chinese Commissioner for Foreign Affairs has informed the British Consul-General at Shanghai to the effect that in future the number of cigars and cigarettes which a person may take into Canton will be limited to 20 in the case of cigarettes. The cigars or cigarettes must be contained in an open box. The above decision has been reached by the Kwangtung General Boarded Tobacco Tax Bureau. It is to be noted that formerly the lowest unit for taxation of this commodity was 5,000.

The Canton authorities also announce that cigarettes above 50 in number will come under the heading of 5,000 for taxation purposes, while to take into Canton more than 20 cigars a person will be taxed under the heading of 25 cigars.

Chater Scholarship

That the allotment to Matriculation students of the Sir Paul Chater Memorial Scholarship has been declined was the subject contained in another letter from the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce.

The letter stated that Mr. Wong Shiu-ming is the most successful student. He was offered the Sir Paul Chater Scholarship, but his father had written to say that his son did not want to own himself of the Sir Paul Chater Memorial Scholarship on the ground that there was every possibility of his son getting a better one.

Mr. Chan Heung-pai informed the meeting that he had made due enquiries by approaching the second and third candidates on the list, but on each occasion he was informed by parents of the students that their sons would decline the Scholarship for the same reason that the boys had possibilities of getting a better Scholarship.

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This was the statement of Professor Douglas B. Maggs of the law department of the University of Southern California after watching the filming of the scenes for "The Bellamy Trial" now at the Queen's Theatre as a Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer feature. Prof. Maggs was invited by Monta Bell, the director, to inspect the huge courtroom set and to observe the action of the dramatic sequences after giving advice upon some of the legal points involved in the filmisation of the murder mystery story from the pen of Frances Noyes Hart.

Latrice Joy plays the leading role in the feature, heading a large cast of notables which includes George Barraud, Kenneth Thompson, Margaret Livingston and Betty Bronson.

"Masquerade"

Parts of three songs are used in "Masquerade," the Fox Movietone all talking picture which will open at the Queen's Theatre to-morrow, to interpret the moods of principal players during the progress of the comedy drama.

Alan Birmingham reveals what the gay young man-about-town sings about in his bath, when he's in love, by gaily caroling "The Church Bells are Ringing for Mary."

Clyde Cook, who plays the role of a comedy valet, warbles "Sally of My Dreams" as he prepares to keep a swell date with his best girl, but quickly switches to "Mean to Me" when his employer refuses to let him keep the engagement.

Frank Richardson sings an original song written especially for "Masquerade" by Con Conrad, Sidney D. Mitchell and Archie Gotter. The Roy Fox Montmartre orchestra, in the same cafe sequence, also plays several song hits from the Fox Movietone Folies of 1929.

"DANDY COONS"**Successful Show at the D.G.S.**

The Dandy Coons, a popular troupe of local artists under Mrs. G. W. E. Griggs, provided an entertaining evening in the hall of the Diocesan Girls' School, Kowloon, when a large audience fully appreciated the snappy songs and humorous interludes.

At the end, Miss H. D. Sawyer (headmistress of the Girls' Model school) tendered to the Dandy Coons their hearty thanks for their excellent entertainment and a sumptuous supper. The estimated audience of 1,000 had been realized from the proceeds.

REV. F. C. YOUNG**Very Impressive Funeral Service****UNIVERSAL TRIBUTES**

Proof, if such were needed, of the high esteem in which the Rev. F. C. Young was held in the Colony, was manifested at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon when a large concourse attended the funeral at the Protestant Cemetery, where an impressive service was held at the graveside prior to the interment.

Those who followed the cortège to Happy Valley included members of the Union Church body and congregation, many of the local clergy, representatives of all sections of the local community, and officers of the King's Own Scottish Borderers.

The pipes and drums of the K.O.S.B. met the hearse at the Monument and headed the procession to the cemetery, playing suitable slow music.

Members of the Church Committee walked immediately behind the hearse. Mrs. Young, who was accompanied by Mr. J. L. McPherson, Chairman of the Union Church Committee, and her sister Miss Clare, arrived before the cortège and waited at the graveside.

Pall-Bearers

The coffin was borne from the cemetery gate to the grave by the following members of the K.O.S.B., R.M.S. Parkinson, Bandmaster Fitz-Earle, and Sergts. Gilliland, Kennedy, Jordan, Reeves, Glynn and Potts.

The Rev. F. Short conducted the impressive service at the graveside where were also the Bishop of Victoria, the Rev. J. H. Johnston (Union Church, Kowloon), who took part in the service, and the Very Rev. A. Swann, the Rev. H. V. Koop, the Rev. C. B. Shann, the Rev. W. H. Hewitt and the Rev. E. A. Armstrong.

After the coffin had been lowered into the grave, the pipers played "Flowers of the Forest," and the buglers sounded the "Last Post" and "Reveille."

The Attendance

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The Committee, the congregation, the teachers and scholars of the Sunday School, and the Young People's Society of Union Church, Hong Kong, from Union Church, Kowloon, the Council and Congregation of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, Friends at the London Mission, the Wardens and Members of Morrison Hall, the Hop-Yat Church, from Three Fellowships who are grateful for the inspiration of the past and are sure that his work will not die; "In token of sincere regard and with deep sympathy from 'the little Company' from the staff of the Matilda Hospital, Miss Dury and Dr. Montgomery.

The Staff Officers, H. O. Smith, Commander of Staff and Schools of the Garrison School, the Officers of the 2nd Batt. the King's Own

Scottish Borderers, the N.C.O.'s and Men, the Sergeants' Mess, the Bandmaster and Band of the 2nd Batt. King's Own Scottish Borderers, all Ranks of the Scottish Company, H.K.V.D.C., from Service Friends in Headquarters, China Command.

The Directors and Members of the Y.M.C.A., the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A., and the Chinese Y.M.C.A.; "with loving sympathy from the Women's Students of the Hong Kong University"; the President, Committee and Members of the Hong Kong St. Andrew's Society; the Worshipful Master, Officers and Members of "Perseverance Lodge"; the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club; the Committee and Members of the Hong Kong Cricket Club; and from the Warders' Mess.

Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master; and the *China Mail*.

Wreaths were also sent by the following:

Mr. and Mrs. A. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Van Andel, Mr. W. D. Bell, Bertie Bell, W. Bell, Jun. Dr. and Mrs. G. D. R. Black, Captain H. F. Bloxham, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Brown, Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Burton, Mr. and Mrs. A. Calvert, Col. and Mrs. W. F. Christian, Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy and Mrs. Creasy, Mr. and Mrs. Currie, Mr. and Mrs. D. Davies, Mr. and Mrs. L. Deans, Mr. E. R. Dovey, Major H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Mr. and Mrs. Dransfield and family, Mr. and Mrs. N. Drummond, Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Duncan, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Dyer, Inspector Dick.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Elliott, Mr. A. W. Eastman and family.

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SHADOWS BEFORE**COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN CHINA MAIL****Social Functions**

To-day—Tea Dance at Hong Kong Hotel, 4.30 p.m.

To-day—Tea Dance at Peninsula Hotel, 5 p.m.

To-day—Dinner Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

To-day—Dinner Dance at Repulse Bay Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

March 7—S.P.C.A. Ball, Peninsula Hotel, 8 p.m.

March 8—Old Bedfordian Dinner, Hong Kong Club 8 p.m.

Entertainments.

To-day—Queen's Theatre, "Bellamy Trial."

To-day—Star Theatre, "Where East is East."

To-day—World Theatre, "Wild Orchids" at 5.15 and 9.20 p.m.; "Westward Ho," (Chinese picture) at 2.30 and 7.15 p.m.

To-day—Majestic Theatre, "Wings."

February 24—Recital by Madeline Odette Darby, Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

February 28—English Singers' concert at City Hall, 9.15 p.m.

Sports

See Special Sports Diary on page 13.

Home Mall

To-day—Outward for Europe via Siberia (Soochow), 8.30 p.m.

To-morrow—Inward from Europe via Negapatam (Sui Sang).

Meetings

February 28—Kowloon Residents Association St. Andrew's Church Hall, 6 p.m.

March 3—Benevolent Society, annual meeting, Cheer O Canteen, 11.15 a.m.

March 10—Union Waterboat Co., meeting of shareholders, Dodwell & Co.'s office, 11 a.m.

March 12—Hong Kong Electric Co., shareholders' meeting, 11 a.m.

March 19—Green Island Cement Co., shareholders' meeting, noon.

Miscellaneous

To-morrow—Trial trip of s.s. Venezuela, Douglas Wharf, 2.30 p.m.

February 27—Lecture, "Some Remarkable Inventions," by Professor C. A. Middleton Smith, Room "K," University.

March 5—Distribution of prizes by H.E. the Officer Administering the Government at King's College.

March 6—Annual Show of Flowers and Vegetables, City Hall.

March 11—Volunteers' full dress practice parade, Murray Parade Ground, 5.30 p.m.

March 13—Volunteers' annual inspection, Murray parade ground, 5.25 p.m.

The projected construction by Spain of battleships exceeding 26,000 tons, armed with 15-inch guns, introduced a factor of surprise into the Naval Conference.

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ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL
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Feb. 23, Sexagesima Sunday.
Holy Communion, 8 a.m.
Holy Communion (Peak Church),
8 a.m.
Children's Service, 10 a.m.
Sunday School at Peak School,
10 a.m.
Matins and Sermon, 11 a.m.
Preacher: Rev. W. T. Featherstone, headmaster of Diocesan Boys' School.

Evensong, 6 p.m.
Preacher: The Dean.FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST,
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Sunday Service, February 23,
1930, at 11.15 a.m.
Subject: "Mind."

The Sunday School is held on Sunday mornings from 10 o'clock.
Wednesday Evening Meeting at 5.30 o'clock.

Reading Room at above address open:-

Tuesday and Friday 10 a.m. to 12 Noon.

Monday and Thursday 5.30 to 7 p.m.

The Public is cordially invited to attend the service and visit the Reading Room.

NEW GENERATION OF LONDONERS

STRIKING INCREASE OF BOYS' PHYSIQUE

BETTER BEHAVED

The London elementary schoolboy of to-day is half an inch taller and three-quarters of a pound heavier than the boy of 20 years ago. He is also better fed, better clad, and better behaved. The children in the secondary schools compare very favourably with anything that the most expensive public schools have to show.

This gratifying improvement is recorded in the report of the special services of the London County Council Education Department, compiled by its doctors and officers, and recently published.

"The change in the little Londoner," states the report, "is indeed evident to those who have been accustomed to meet him, and such observers hardly need the confirmation of statistics." After the passing of the Provision of Meals Act, in 1906, the medical officer states, in the improvement in the personal hygiene of school children during the last 15 years. The school medical service, it is claimed, has become the greatest factor in reducing infectious disease, which, in the past, has decimated the population of a great town. "For the first time in history the child of the great town is becoming physically, no less than mentally, the equal, if not indeed the superior, of the country-bred child."

Valuable help is being afforded by the Children's Play Centres Committee, founded by the late Mrs. Humphrey Ward, in meeting the danger from street accidents to children.

Decrease in Juvenile Crime. The report indicates clearly the decrease in juvenile crime. Truancy has fallen off as the methods of instruction have become more enlightened. Welfare clinics and other agencies working for better physical conditions have all contributed to an improvement which is still noticeably gathering momentum.

Two of the industrial schools maintained by the County Council are for boys, respectively at Portslade, near Brighton, and at Mayford, in Surrey, and one for girls at Gisburne House, near Watford. Uniforms had been abolished at these institutions, a larger measure of trust was shown in the boys and girls, and there was no prison or punitive atmosphere.

Poor But Cheerful. "We find," said a school doctor recently, "that often the children who are badly nourished are the children of the very respectable type; but the income goes in keeping up respectability. The parents of these children will never ask for help."

A comparison of a number of photographs of children 20 or 30 years ago with those of to-day shows the child of those days looked much older for his age than the child of to-day. The older clothing fashions compare unfavourably with those of the present day, and the insufficiency and unsuitability of the footwear is very marked.

Professor F. G. Parsons found that, even in the poorest districts, the children were, on the whole, cheerful and fairly healthy, and that a wonderful understanding existed between them and their teachers, who, as a class, were far above the pedagogic grades whom we set as a boy.

Seize Up for Winter. There are offices in the London County Council service, the city, the

ANNUAL RACE MEETING

(Continued from Page 1.)

Bowling but he will have to improve to win. I prefer BABY FACE

The Foochow Cup. Sitting Bull has won both the Derby and Champions, besides other big races, and he appears to have an easy mark here.

Adam comes from the Jardine stable and is very fit. He is a long distance animal, who is also very fast.

President Hall can go the distance in good time and, providing he is not rushed in the first part of the race, he may get a place here.

Carnival Eve has a reputation in Shanghai and can go the distance, he is a good outside bet.

My note however goes to *** SITTING BULL

The China Stakes. Apollo is a certainty for this event.

Boxing Eve is a crack of the local course, but I believe he will be beaten by the first named.

King's Courier will have a good chance of filling third place if started here, as he is one of the best ponies in training.

Young Pretender is fast over a short distance and will have a very good chance of getting a place here. I nap

*** APOLLO for the best thing at to-day's meeting.

Hopeful Stakes. Wisdom Stag looks handsomely here and if the race is a fast one he looks a certainty.

The Tiger has done nothing to speak about in training, till he is a big strong animal whose distance is about a mile.

African Eve is in one of the best stables to follow and if he is sent to the post here he has a great chance.

Marquis Hall is a sprinter and would be better off in a short race.

Four Clubs should get a place if he is properly tuned up.

It may be a close thing but

WISDOM STAG is my pick.

The Tientsin Stakes

The Pheasant does not seem to be in the best condition, so I will allow him to pass.

The Jamaica is going very well and I would not be surprised to see him come home.

Skinfaxi is able to do the distance and should therefore run well.

Noukhail may go to the post but I do not fancy his chances in the field.

Armony can go over a long distance if the pace is slow, if fast he is out of it.

My best pick for this event is THE APE who should win.

Selections at a Glance

1st Race:-

1. Piccy.
2. The Jungle Book.
3. Hong Kong Beau.

2nd Race:-

1. Winsome Stag.
2. Young Pretender.
3. Chesapeake Bay.

3rd Race:-

1. King's Bounty.
2. Baron Hall.
3. Witty Stag.

4th Race:-

1. Baby Face.
2. Tonbridge.
3. Shanghai Beau.

5th Race:-

1. Sitting Bull.
2. Adam.
3. President Hall.

6th Race:-

1. Apollo.
2. Boxing Eve.
3. King's Courier.

7th Race:-

1. Wisdom Stag.
2. The Tiger.
3. African Eve.

8th Race:-

1. The Ape.
2. The Jamaica.
3. The Pheasant.

Woman And The Mirror.

When a woman looks at her reflection in the glass and sees a pleasing, clear-complexioned face, she feels at peace with the world. But when a sallow, plump, melancholy visage confronts her, she pities herself for its unsightliness.

Such unhappiness could be spared many women by the occasional use of Pimpernel, for usually these blemishes to beauty indicate only need of just the aid Pimpernel gives. As a corrective of coarseness, defective liver-action, sluggish digestion, trembling breath, facial blemishes due to irregularity of the daily habit, there is nothing better than these dainty little lotions. You can buy Pimpernel at the price of 40 cents per box.

A Court of Appeal heard the opening argument in the test case

Have You Heard?

"My plate is damp," complained a traveller, who was dining in an Aberdeen hotel.

"Hush," whispered his wife. "That's your soup."

Vegetarian (after being chased by bull): That's your gratitude, is it, you great brute? After this I'll eat beef three times a day!

Customer: I must say, walter, this is the first time I've ever had a really tender steak here.

Waiter (aghast): Good gracious I must have given you the proprietor's portion.

Pat's job was to guard the entrance to a road which led to an old and unsafe bridge. Seeing a large car approach, he put up his hand.

"What's the matter?" demanded the landlord.

"Tis all right," said Pat. "My orders are to see that no traffic goes through because of the danger, but seen't it's yourself, go ahead."

Johnny: I tramped about twenty-five miles a day when I was on my vacation.

Hughy: Yes, I know all about that. I bought a second-hand car, too.

Young wife: I cook, cook, and cook for you, and what do I get for it? Nothing.

Husband: You're lucky. I get indigestion.

A group of workmen was discussing the evolution and origin of man. One of the party remained silent, and a companion turned to him and demanded his opinion.

"I'm not going to say," he replied doggedly. "I remember Henry Green and me threshed that out once before, and it's settled as far as I am concerned."

"But what conclusion did you come to?"

"Well," he said, slowly, "we didn't arrive at the same conclusion. Henry arrived at the hospital and I arrived at the police station."

A man who, after a long day's tramp after game, was returning empty-handed, walked into a shop and bought two rabbits.

"There, my dear," he said, when he reached home. "You see, I didn't do so badly, after all."

His wife picked up the rabbits and sniffed. "I'm awfully glad you shot them to-day, Jack," she remarked. "To-morrow it would have been too late."

An old woman was knocked down by a car, and to console her the hospital surgeon said soothingly: "Now there's nothing to worry about. In fact, you ought to be able to get a considerable amount of damages."

"Damages," snorted the old woman. "I've got plenty of damages! What I want is repairs."

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

Opening Daily Official Quotations 22nd February, 1930.

STOCK	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nom.	Yrs. last ended	DIVIDEND	PAID
Banks.							
Hoog Hong Bank	\$...	(1400)	5	Dec.	Final \$1 5/- a/c 1929 ex. 1/1/30 - 10-23	Pending
Chartered Bank	\$...	108	...	Dec.	Interim \$1 5/- a/c 1929 ex. 1/1/30 - 10-23	Sept. 12, 29
Mercantile, A.A.C.L.	\$...	152	...	Dec.	Int. \$1 5/- a/c 1929 ex. 1/1/30	Oct. - 29
Bank of Asia	\$	102	...	...	Dec.	\$15 for 1929	Pending
Insurances.							
Canton Ins.	\$	745	...	...	Dec.	Final \$2 2/- for 1929 Interim \$1 5/- a/c 1929	May 23, 29
Union Ins.	\$	380	380	...	Dec.	None	May 24, 29
China Underwriters	\$	170	...	...	Dec.	None	...
China Fire Ins.	\$	340	...	...	Dec.	Final \$2 2/- for 1929 Interim \$1 5/- a/c 1929	May 24, 29
H. K. Fire Ins.	\$	380	...	...	Dec.	\$15 for 1929	Mar. 26, 29
Shipping.							
Douglas	\$	254	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929	...
H. K. Steamboats	\$	161					

Sport Columns

FOOTBALL

Discussion on Penalty Ruling

At a meeting of the Council of the Hong Kong Football Association yesterday, at which Mr. R. Hall presided, correspondence was read which had passed between the Hon. Secretary (Mr. W. E. Hollands), and the Chinese Athletic Secretary as to why the Senior Shield replay with the Somersets last Wednesday was not carried out.

The Chinese Athletic wrote that they were unable to raise a team in mid-week, owing to calls of business on their players. They suggested that the game be replayed on a Saturday, failing which the Athletic offered to forfeit the game.

In the discussion which followed, the Chairman pointed out that the fixture list for Saturdays was already full. Mr. Duncan said that it was undesirable to create a precedent by granting a postponement. It had been the invariable rule for replays to be decided in mid-week. He moved that the offer to forfeit the game be accepted.

The Council decided to accept the offer.

Semi-Finals Draw

The meeting, at which, besides the Chairman, there were present Lieut. W. R. George, Comdr. J. D. H. Byron, Messrs. G. T. May, J. Ormiston, F. Smith, H. K. Lee, R. K. Duncan, and Eastman, and the Hon. Secretary, then made the draw for the semi-finals of the Shield competitions, which resulted as follows:

Senior: South China v. Navy on H.K.F.C. ground; Somersets v. Kowloon, at Caroline Hill.

Junior: Chinese "B" v. Navy, on H.K.F.C. ground; Somersets v. Kowloon, at Caroline Hill.

The games will be played on Saturday, March 8, senior games to commence at 4.30 p.m., and junior games at 2.30 p.m.

Penalty Ruling

A ruling was sought from the Association on the interpretation of Law 17, dealing with penalty kicks. The point arose in a Senior Shield game last week between the Club and the Navy. The latter were awarded a penalty kick, and as the kick was being taken the Club goalkeeper is said to have moved about, instead of standing still, as the new law lays down. The referee, who had already blown his whistle for the kick to be taken, blew a second time when he observed the goalkeeper's infringement. The kick scored, but was ordered to be retaken (when incidentally it was again converted).

Comdr. Byron contended that the second whistle was wrong, and pointed out that it would be possible to have eleven infringements under such a ruling. He quoted a decision of Mr. Arnold Josephs, the famous Home referee, stating that "if the ball enters the goal under the bar and between the posts it shall not be nullified by any infringement by the defending side. If the kick fails, a re-kick can be ordered." Mr. Duncan supported this view.

After some discussion, it was decided to circularise the Home referees' decision to the local Referees' Association.

In the course of the discussion, Mr. Duncan suggested that referees in local football were too prone to grant penalty kicks for handling offences, when in many cases the handling appeared to be purely accidental.

Chairman Resigns

Mr. R. Hall, who is leaving the Colony shortly, tendered his resignation as Chairman. Mr. J. Ormiston was unanimously elected to succeed him. Mr. Ormiston moved a vote of thanks to Mr. Hall for his services as Chairman, to which Mr. Hall suitably replied.

The suspension sine die of Pte. Lavender, R.A.M.C., which was imposed last year, was lifted by general consent.

RUGBY FOOTBALL

Navy Too Good for the Army

[By Scrum Half]

The Navy 13 points; The Army 0 points.

Playing last evening on the Club ground the Navy defeated the Army by two goals and a try to nil. This victory places them on a level with the Hong Kong Football Club for the Triangular Tournament honours. A final match will be played, the date of which will be announced later.

'An Early Lead

The Navy kicked off before a small attendance and made good ground. Wright, the centre three-quarter being conspicuous in a round of passing. The Army forwards, however, relieved. In the scrum the Navy were superior and were keeping the ball everytime. The Army attacked fiercely, but an extra hard kick ruined any chances of scoring. Play hovered about mid field for a while, until Evans received the ball and cut through to score a spectacular try close to the posts. Suther converted, thus giving the Navy an early lead of five points. The Army three quarters were entirely to blame, as they did not go for their men but for the ball, consequently a pass that should have been given was kept and a try ensued.

The Lead Increased

The Navy were soon back on the Army line, but feet up in the scrum relieved what might have been a dangerous situation. A Navy mark, however, gained ground and the line was again in danger. The Navy pack were playing up well both in the tight and the loose. An Army forward rush took the ball into the Navy half where a Navy forward was penalised for offside play. Maxwell tried a place kick for goal but was unsuccessful. Instead of allowing the ball to go over the dead line, Evans kicked a fine touch. Suther was playing well and made some nice kicks to touch. One of these took the ball to touch only a few yards from the line. From a scrum the Navy heeled, but the blind side action was stopped. Another scrum gave the Navy forwards another opportunity to heel and Surtees broke through to score a good try. Suther failed a kick a goal from a difficult angle.

Whistle Lost!

In one little rush, the referee was hustled around and consequently lost his whistle. This caused great merriment from the supporters of both sides.

The Navy could always be counted upon relieving their line by good touch kicking. This was one of the features of a keen game. The Army made a good effort to pierce the Navy back division, but were held up by good tackling. Once it seemed that they must get over, but the back pluckily fell on the ball and stayed on it. Maxwell, taking the kick, was not successful.

The Navy throughout the game were responsible for the offence of feet up in the scrums. From one of these free kicks Bascombe got in nice kick, to put the Army in a strong position. The ball was not heeled cleanly and the Navy wing forwards were conspicuous.

Half-time:

Navy 8 points; Army nil.

Second Half

The Army seemed determined to carry everything before them in this half. They had the best of the play, until Surtees stopped a forward rush and had a nice dribble on his own. The ball, unfortunately for the Navy, was touched down before he could reach it. The Navy were still getting the ball back from the scrums, and so the three-quarters had numerous opportunities. An Army mark was charged down and ground gained, but the Army forwards relived in great style.

This half was full of attacks and counter-attacks, the Navy always appearing the more dangerous. In one of these attacks the forwards heeded to give Fenton a good chance to cut through. Suther made no mistake with the kick. This ended the scoring, the Navy winning by 13 points to nil.

Navy Supreme

On the run of the play, the Army were lucky to get off so lightly. In all departments except full back were the Navy supreme. Surtees and Evans were the pick of the Navy backs. Bascombe, of the Army, played his usual steady game.

All the Navy forwards played well and combined very well together. On their form yesterday the Navy should experience no difficulty in defeating the Club. The teams lined up as follows:

Navy. — Pay Lt. West, Lt. Smallwood, Lt. Evans, Mr. Wright, Lt. Wood; Lt. Fenton, Lt. Cdr. Surtees; Lt. Cdr. Havers, Lt. Cdr. Andrew, Lt. Lefroy, Mr. Suther, Lt. Cdr. C.P.O. Suttill, Lt. Cdr. Smn. Padden, and Lt. Cdr. Bickall.

Army. — Pte. Bascombe; L/Cpl. Champion, Lt. Evans, Lt. Maxwell, Sgt. Marshall; Major Philby, Lt. Tregear, Captain Swaine, Lt. Burton, Lt. MacFarlan, Lt. Riddup, Sgt. Richardson, and Sgt. Bruno, Pte. Mogg, Pte. Bristow.

TENNIS

Keen Games in the Doubles

Ng Sze-kwong and Ng Sze-cheung disposed of Li Wal-tsoi and Li Woon-toi in the H.K.C.C. open doubles yesterday, but did not have matters all their own, having to fight hard for all three sets. The Li brothers were particularly good with their overhead work, more especially in the third set, and this, coupled with some rather patchy play by the Ng combination, kept the result in doubt almost to the end.

Both Ng Sze-kwong and his partner made some excellent placing shots, and won the match by superior courtcraft. Ng Sze-cheung was inclined to be erratic with his driving, and Ng Sze-kwong played, some weak backhand shots. They were slightly superior throughout, however, and good value for their win.

M. W. Lo was not seriously troubled in disposing of A. H. Johnson, who was not strong on his backhand, as Lo soon discovered.

Results

Yesterday's complete results were:—
Open Championship Singles (First Round).—F. H. Kwok beat Y. J. Khan, 6-2, 3-6, 6-0, 6-2.
Second Round.—M. W. Lo beat A. H. Johnson, 6-0, 6-2, 6-4; Cheng Chi-wing beat Y. Hachimura, 6-2, 6-3, 6-3.
Open Championship Doubles (Second Round).—Ng Sze-kwong and Ng Sze-cheung beat Li Wal-tsoi and Li Woon-toi, 6-4, 7-5, 9-7.
Club Championships (First Round).—H. Owen-Hughes beat G. H. W. Churchill, 6-1, 10-8.
Handicap Singles "B" (Second Round).—H. Graves (rec. 4/6) beat A. G. G. Macdonald (owe 5/6), 6-2, 6-0; G. E. R. Divett (owe 1/6) beat R. M. Wood (scr.), 6-0, 6-1.

Handicap Doubles, (First Round).—A. F. Judd and M. G. Mills (rec. 15) beat C. W. Wilson and C. H. Bradley (scr.), 6-4, 3-6, 6-3.

BASKETBALL

The following have been selected to represent the K.B.S.F.P.A. in their basketball match versus the Chinese Y.M.C.A. (Hong Kong) at the Y.M.C.A. at 8 o'clock to-night: M. Weill Captain, Hirat, Whitley, Witchell, and Angus. Reserves, Brennan, and King.

Rugby Football

To-day—England v. France, Twickenham; Scotland v. Ireland, Edinburgh.

Billiards—February 21 to March 29—Amateur Championship, London.

Our Sports Diary

LOCAL

Tennis — Tournament at H.K.C.C. daily except Sundays.

Hockey — To-day —Hong Kong Ladies v. Club de Recreio.

To-morrow —Recreio v. K.B.S.F.P.A. 10.30 a.m.

Thursday—Hockey Club v. Punjab Regiment, Marina ground, 5 p.m.

Cricket — To-day —Division I, Hong Kong C.C.v. Army.

Friday —University v. Kowloon C.C. (L); Division II, Kowloon C.C. v. University (L); Craiggower v. R.E. and R.S. (L); Recreio v. Hong Kong C.C. (F); Civil Service, v. Indian R.C. (F).

Sunday —University v. Mr. A. T. Lee's XI, 2.30 p.m.

Monday—Volunteers v. Combined League, H.K.C.C. ground, 1 p.m.

Tuesday —Volunteers v. K.C.C., K.C.C. ground, 1 p.m.

Wednesday—Volunteers v. United Services, H.K.C.C. ground, 1 p.m.

Football — To-day —Division I, (4.15 p.m.); Navy v. Athletic, Caroline Hill Ground.

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K.O.S.E. v. South China, M.H.I. Ground.

Somerset v. St. Joseph's, Chat-ham Road (or Kowloon F.C. Ground).

Division II. (2.45 p.m.)

Eastern v. Chinese Athletic "A", St. Joseph's Ground, Happy Valley.

University v. St. Joseph's, Chinese Ground, Happy Valley.

Navy v. S. China "B", Navy Ground, Happy Valley.

R.A.M.C. v. Club, Military Ground, Sookkumpoo.

S. China "A" v. Ewo or K.O.S.E., Caroline Hill Ground.

Somerset v. Chinese Athletic "B", King's Park, Kowloon.

March 8—Shield ties semi-finales.

Fanling—Hunt — Sunday—Drag Hounds Meet, Kwanti Course, 4.30 p.m.

Golf—To-day—Bogey Pool, Fanling.

Racing—Hong Kong Jockey Club—February 22, 24, 25, 26 and March 1. First Day, 2 p.m.; other days, noon.

Rifle Shooting—April 20 and 21—Volunteers' annual rifle meeting, Stonecutter's.

Home

Football — To-day —Scotland v. Ireland.

March 1—English Cup (sixth round); Scottish Cup (fourth round).

Rugby Football — To-day —England v. France, Twickenham; Scotland v. Ireland, Edinburgh.

Opposite Queen's Theatre.

HOCKEY

Teams for Forthcoming Matches

The following will represent the first team of the Hong Kong Hockey Club in their match with the 8/16th Punjab Regiment on the Marina Ground at 5 p.m. next Thursday.

C. L. Gregory, W. Woodward, J. Rodger, E. J. R. Mitchell, A. A. Dand (captain), J. E. Noronha, H. Owen Hughes, G. E. R. Divett, C. C. Francis, G. P. Lammett and T. J. Price.

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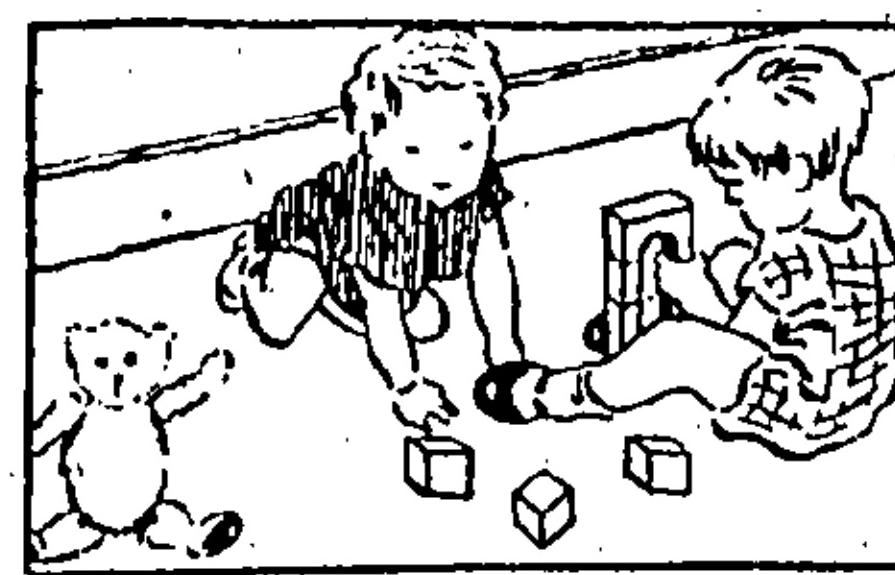
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CHILDREN'S CORNER

POCKET-MONEY

(By Harley Street Woman Doctor)

To a parent, the child's money allowance becomes a perplexing problem.

Some children are given pennies galore as they ask for them; other children have none. This is an unfortunate state of affairs in both cases.

Children who spend their money without any responsibility appear great in the eyes of the child who has none, and they will probably become spendthrifts in later years. The moneyless child is made to feel awkward and shy; his helplessness increases his feeling of inferiority, and he is apt to draw into his shell.

So Much a Week

Every child should be given a specified sum of money per week, even if that means only a penny, and be advised to save half and spend the remainder. Many parents do not believe that children understand money.

The money sense of a child was brought home to me recently when a tiny boy in the street asked me to give him a penny for two half-pennies. On my inquiring the reason of his request he said, "I might lose one of my halfpennies!"

Every child should be told that if he spends his allowance on one day or at one time there is no more forthcoming till his next weekly pay day. If he is anxious to purchase something, he must save up for it. A spendthrift child can be checked by giving him no allowance, but by making him "do things" and paying him for them.

Mother as Banker

Recently it was suggested that every time a job was done a slip of paper was handed to the child. This meant that a halfpenny was due for work. In due course there were several slips of paper. Either parent cashed one or more of these when needed.

By counting the slips the capital was reckoned. Under such conditions a child shows great inclination to do jobs.

ABOUT COCOA

We drink our cocoa regularly, and enjoy it, but though we know it comes from a plant that grows in hot countries we may not know just how it grows and the form in which it is gathered ready for the manufacturer.

Cocoa is really the seed of the cacao or cocoa tree. The fruit is very much the shape of a cucumber, and is about 7in. or 8in. long. It is yellow in colour, and ripens to red when the sun catches it. It grows close to the trunk of the tree.

When gathered, the fruit is left for several days in heaps to ferment. Then the thick, warty rind is opened, and the very numerous almond-like seeds, or beans, which lie like eggs in a nest, are removed and dried. It is from them that the cocoa we drink is made. Each bean is covered with thin brown skin, which is taken away, and after the beans have been dried and broken up they are called cocoa nibs.

The cocoa tree gives two crops of fruit every year.

"TABBY'S" NAME

Do you know why pussy is sometimes called a "tabby"?

A very long time ago merchants came from the East bringing lovely cottons and silks. Some of them came from Mosul and brought muslin. From Damascus they brought damask, and so on.

In the East was a district called Attabieh. You have probably read stories about the clever Caliphs of Bagdad. Attabieh was part of Bagdad.

The people of Attabieh had learned to make very wonderful black and white silk. It had a beautiful watermark. When this silk arrived in Britain they called it Tabbi silk.

Queen Elizabeth used to wear a "Tabbi" dress. Later, fine ladies used this silk for making their best dresses.

Then someone thought how much like Tabbi silk the common pussy's glossy fur was. The name "stuck," and to-day we still call black-marked pussy-cats tabbies.

IS THIS YOUR NAME?

Did you know that every Christian name has a special meaning? Long ago, people thought that boys and girls grew up under the influence of their names, so it was considered very important to choose one with a splendid meaning.

If yours is JOAN, you have a beautiful one, since it comes from an old Hebrew word "Chanaah," "The Grace of the Lord." Its full spelling is "Johanna" and "Joanna," but Joan is more often used nowadays.

In Spain it is written Juanita, in Italy, Giovanna, and in France, Jeanne or Jeannette.

It has been used in nearly every country in Europe at one time or another, but we, perhaps, remember one special bearer of it best—"Joan of Arc," the Maid of Orleans, who led the French troops to victory in the fifteenth century.

"Mind Yer Grammar"

A small boy simply hated the idea of going to school, but at length parental discipline prevailed and he was packed off complete with satchel on the opening day.

He returned at mid-day and immediately on entering the kitchen, where his father sat, he burst into a flood of tears and kept repeating "I wish I hadn't gone. I wish I hadn't gone."

"Will ye never mind yer grammar?" said his father. "Ye mean ye wish tae God ye hadn't went."

IDENTIFIED

Aunt Mary (examining school photograph proudly displayed by Joan): "And where are you, dear?"

Joan (eagerly): "Well, aunty, do you see that fat girl right in front?"

Aunt Mary: "Yes, dear."

Joan: "And can you see the tall girl just behind her?"

Aunt Mary: "Yes, dear."

Joan: "And can you see that pair of boots beside her?"

Aunt Mary: "Yes, dear."

Joan (triumphantly): "Well, that's me!"

HOLD YOUR HAND OUT!

Schoolmaster: "Jones, correct the following sentence—Before any damage could be done, the fire was put out by the village fire brigade."

Jones (forgetting master is village fire chief): "The fire was put out before any damage could be done by the village fire brigade."

Teacher Dead!

The teacher was trying to boost the sale of photographs of the class, and she said that the children would look at the photos some day and say, "There's Harry, he is a chemist, and there's Peggy, she's a dressmaker."

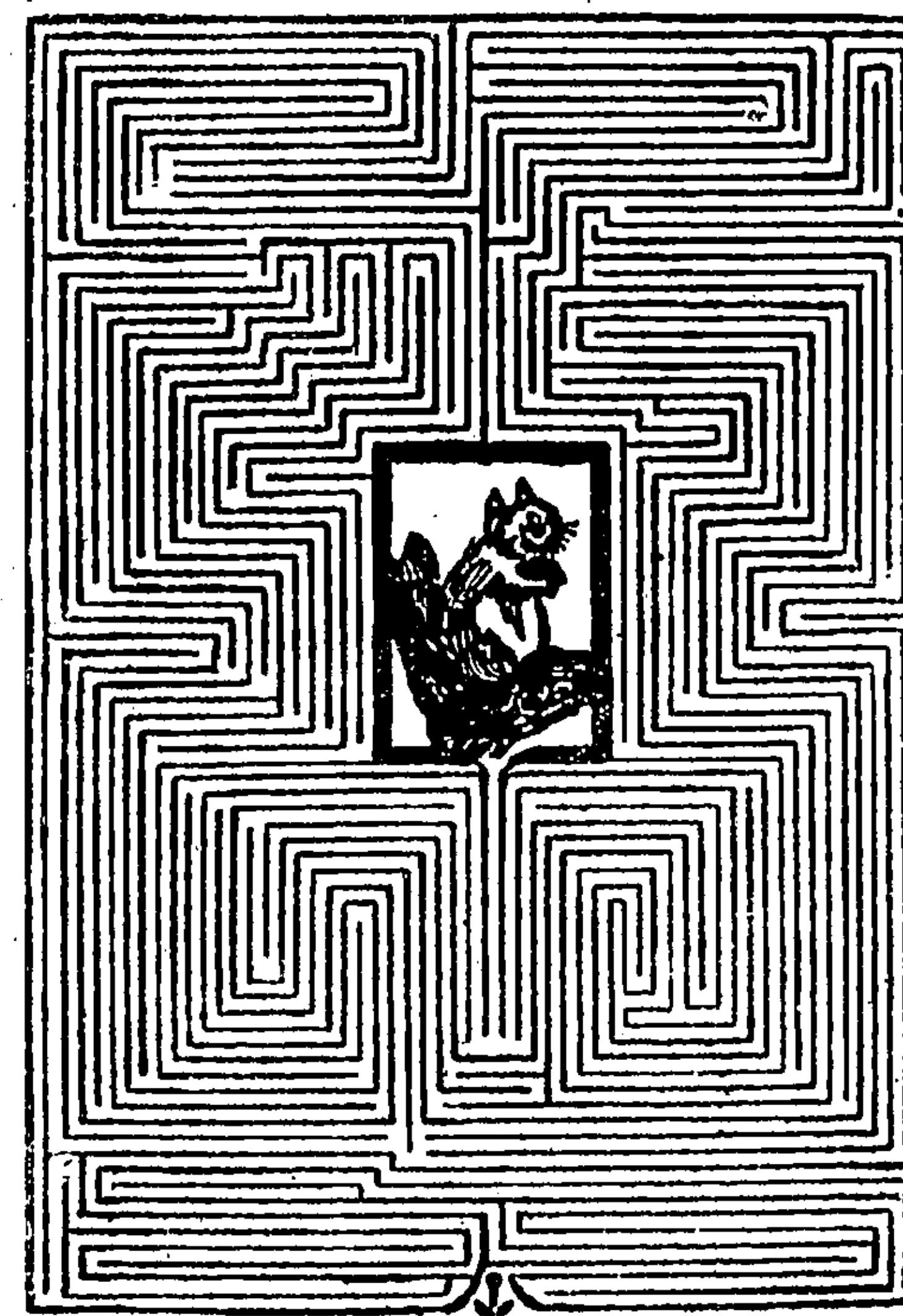
Then a small voice from the class said, "There's teacher, she is dead."

Not Her Business

"Willie," said his mother, "I wish you would run across the street and see how old Mrs. Brown is this morning."

"Yes, miss," Bobbie replied, "but you always said I mustn't believe everything I hear."

THE LOST SQUIRREL



OUT HERE.

The squirrel who seems to be so successfully caged really has a way out of his prison, if he could find it. Perhaps you can find the path for him! The blind alleys are scarce in this maze, so that their accustomed help will be largely lacking. But there are several good-sized islands—if you can find them. The discovery of an island in a maze is a great help to its solution.

16th H.K. SCOUTS

To Honour Their President

The "Old Scout" has received an invitation from the 16th Hong Kong Scouts to be present to-morrow at their Club Room at Caine Road at 4.15 p.m. on the occasion of a presentation of a "Thanks Badge" to Rev. Father Parisotti, O.B.E. who is the President of the Group.

say, when examinations were held, he did so well that people who did not know how hard he studied marvelled. Finally the story of his outstanding scholarship gained under such great difficulties reached the ears of the Emperor himself, who gave him a high appointment.

The Chinese story sacrifices books tell us of another lad who was Education too poor to buy oil but who had a high determination to become a great scholar. This lad noticed that white reflects light, so on nights when the moon was shining he sat out in the cold and held his book so that the light from the snow would fall on its pages as he studied. After the snows had melted he collected great numbers of glow-worms and studied at night by the light which they gave.

These stories from the Chinese golden tales may or may not be entirely true. We do know, however, that they are true in spirit and that many, many Chinese lads have made great sacrifices and have studied under great difficulties in order to gain an education which would elevate them in the Kingdom.

Speaking about Earl Beuchamp's minded of Earl Exhortation Beuchamp, the Chancellor of the University of London. Recently he exhorted the members of the Bedford College for Women to use the education given to them, not only for the purpose of earning money but in order to extend the principles for which their education stood.

"Education should not be a cloistered virtue," said Earl Beuchamp, "those who acquire learning should not allow their talents to be buried in the ground, they should use them for the benefit of others. They must spread the knowledge they have secured throughout the country for the betterment of the nation and the individual."

Kwang Hung thought

Necessity about the matter as

is the he worked all day

Mother of long for the great

Invention magistrate. He

couldn't see how it

was going to be done but he determined just the same to become a great scholar.

And, because he

would not give up, one day an idea

came to him. His next door neighbour had more money and could buy oil.

If he should make a hole

through the dividing wall, some of

his neighbour's light would shine

through.

The neighbour would be

none the poorer and he would be

ever so much richer because of the

chance to study.

That very evening he

The idea tried his idea and it

Worked worked. By the little

stream of light which

came into his mean quarters he

could see the characters in his

books, although he had to move his

book about a good deal so that the

light would fall on the part he

wanted to study. But so eager was

he to get an education that he

scarcely noticed the inconvenience.

And so night after night, for a

long time, Kwang Hung studied

his books by the light which

shone through the hole in the wall.

By and by the story goes on to

say that this was the

beginning of his education.

The sphere of wo-

men's man's influence is of

Influence ever growing import-

Growing, and Earl Beau-

champ, "and among

local and individual public service

of a worth-while character is the

work of non-statutory bodies such

as the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides

which are bound to exert a

growing influence on national as

well as local character."

"Is not this point well worthy of discussion," asked Earl Beuchamp,

whether it is not true that the

humbler the position, the more im-

mediate is the result of voluntary

co-operation."

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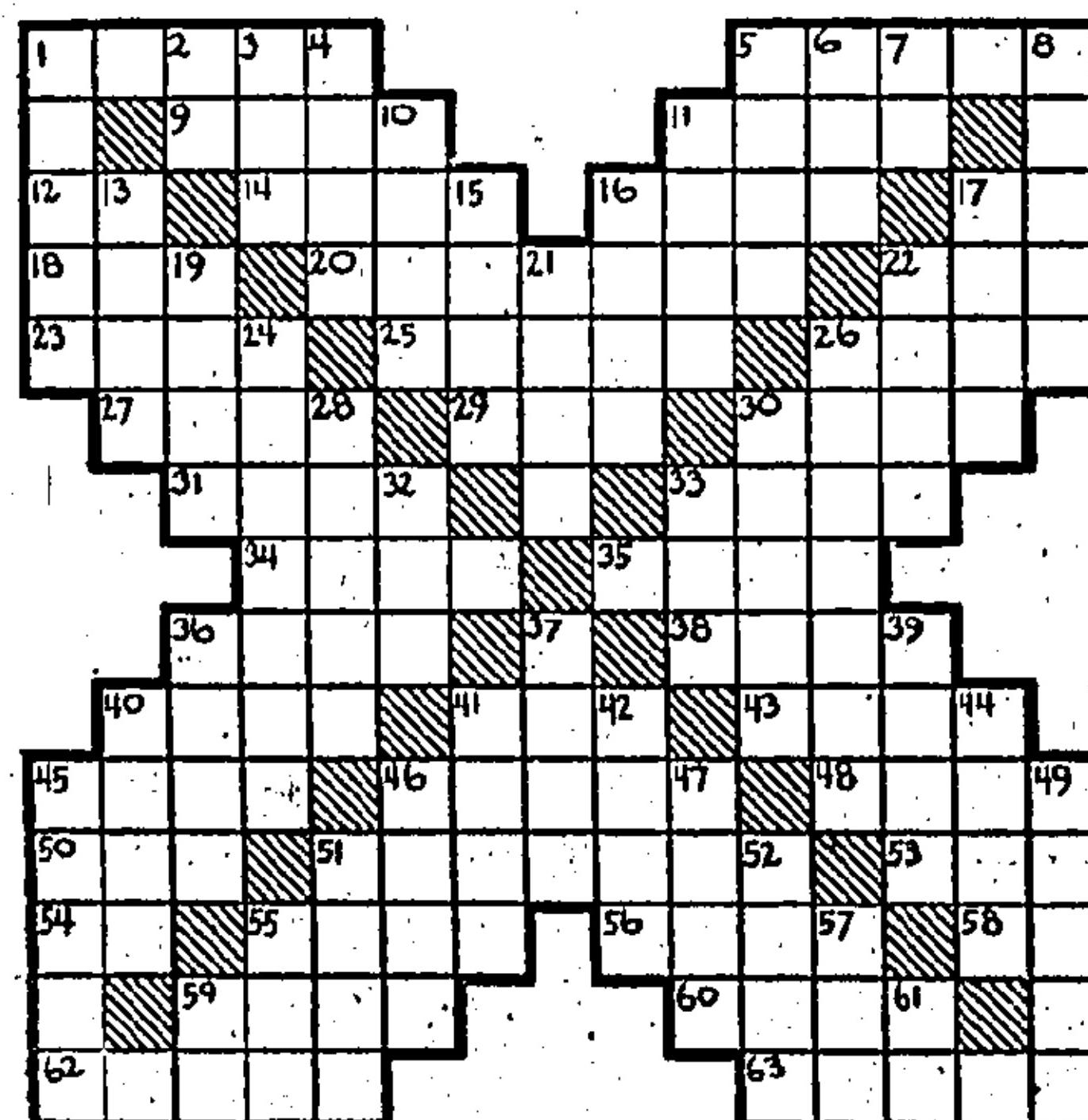
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL:

- 1-Marine growth
- 2-Storms
- 3-Street wanderer
- 4-Conceal
- 5-A continent (abbr.)
- 6-A high card (pl.)
- 7-Combining form. Air
- 8-Accomplish
- 9-Everlasting
- 10-Rug
- 11-Parceled
- 12-A metal
- 13-Hinders
- 14-River in Lorraine and O. Prussia
- 15-Draft animal
- 16-Farm building
- 17-Tumult
- 18-Large container for liquids
- 19-Measure of area
- 20-Consumer
- 21-Lavish extreme fondness upon
- 22-Young society girls
- 23-Interest
- 24-Interest (diss.)
- 25-Interest

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 26-One of the Cyclades
- 27-Prophet
- 28-Roman number
- 29-Golf mound
- 30-Glory (abbr.)
- 31-Pars
- 32-Drench
- 33-Fraze
- 34-Holida
- 35-Hard
- 36-European country
- 37-Landed
- 38-Daily fare
- 39-The devil (Boat)
- 40-Convey
- 41-Canines
- 42-Want
- 43-Moans
- 44-Ab
- 45-State
- 46-Dominion
- 47-College choral
- 48-Macaroni food
- 49-New Zealand journal
- 50-Subsidy
- 51-Goat
- 52-City in C. Vermont
- 53-Part of foot
- 54-Tank
- 55-Prefix. Half
- 56-Sacred language of India
- 57-Saints
- 58-Landslides, and gorges in Asia Minor
- 59-Land
- 60-Old
- 61-Old
- 62-Old
- 63-Land

VERTICAL:

- 1-Exphese
- 2-God of the midday sun (Gr. Myth.)
- 3-Consolation
- 4-Flimsy fabric
- 5-Fur
- 6-Fuse
- 7-The (French)
- 8-Spectre
- 9-Wigwam
- 10-Cure
- 11-Grope
- 12-Teach god or wife
- 13-Interest (diss.)
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THE WORLD OF BOOKS.

"MAIL" REVIEWS

Speeches of H.M. the King

[*"King George V.: In His Own Words"; Ernest Benn, Ltd., 12/- net.]*

During the first three decades of the Twentieth Century it has become more and more fashionable to publish books dealing with the lives of great men, while they are still alive. Usually they are of the reminiscent type, and deal largely in anecdote. They are pleasant and easy reading, which commends itself to almost every class of reader.

Mr. F. A. MacKenzie has not produced a book of this kind. His task has been to select excerpts from the speeches of His Majesty, King George V., to arrange them, and to provide the slight connecting and explanatory narrative necessary to form the collection into a book.

It is hardly probable that the result will form a volume particularly acceptable to the casual reader. It is to the historian that it will most appeal, and by "historian" we include not only the writers of histories, but also all those who are interested in the study of political history. In these speeches the student will find much of great interest, for often many events are the more easily understandable when one can obtain another angle of vision. And often one does obtain such a different angle from a perusal of these speeches.

There is also another aspect of the book. From it one may get a closer idea of what manner of man His Majesty is. It is not, of course, to be expected that His Majesty should draft and write his speeches himself. But after the drafts had been prepared, there is no doubt that the ultimate expression is that which was dictated by His Majesty. And, on perusal of the speeches, one is left in amazement, not only at the grip of detail which is displayed, but also at the intense personal feeling which His Majesty displays.

An interesting book.

—V. V.

Through Asia

[*"China to Chelsea," by Captain D. McCallum; Ernest Benn, 21/- net.]*

This book, which the author calls "A Modern Pilgrimage along Ancient Highways," is a narrative of a remarkable motor car journey undertaken and accomplished in the face of appalling conditions by Captain and Mrs. McCallum and two friends, Messrs. N. G. Lovell and F. Rumsey Williams. The most direct route from North China to Europe is by Siberia, but several things forbade our travellers going that way, and at the last minute they decided on the hotter and wetter route by the countries lying to the South of China. In two Buicks came the party motored from Peking to Tientsin. Then by three different steamers they got to Haiphong, trans-shipping at Shanghai and Hong Kong. From Haiphong they went by the Mandarin Road through Indo-China, Annam and Cambodia to the Siamese border, thence by inundated roads through Siam, after which they seem to have had tropical rains most of the way to Singapore. Ship was taken again at Singapore; for Calcutta this time. India was crossed by the Grand Trunk Road, then through the Baluchistan Desert to the execrable roads of Persia, then through Mesopotamia to find trouble in Syria and terrifying roads, landslides, and gorges in Asia Minor. They entered Europe by Constantinople and from there the rest was comparatively plain sailing or rather motoring.

Owing to last minute change of plans Indo-China, Siam and Malaya had to be negotiated in the hot rainy season when low-lying parts of the country were under water and bridges frequently washed away. Yet they carried on bravely although delayed, not for days or weeks but for months. The bold voyagers ultimately braved the "land of the white Ensign."

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We take off our hats to Captain McCallum, Mr. Lovell and Mr. Rumsey Williams; and do so twice to Mrs. McCallum.

THE LOWER DECK

For Everything A Reason!

[*"Three Rows of Tape: A Social Study of the Lower Deck, 1915-1918," by A. Trystan Edwards, (Heinemann, 6s. net.)*

Scores of books about the Navy have been published since the war, most of which make good reading. But this book is in a class by itself. It is the first intimate study of the lower deck, and the first to reveal the modern bluejacket as he really is. For that reason alone it would be welcome. It is made doubly so by the author's masterly analysis of the personality of the naval rating, his duties, his surroundings, and his philosophy.

Mr. Trystan Edwards enlisted in the Navy as an ordinary seaman in 1915, and served for the duration of the war, chiefly in destroyers. For three and a half years he lived on the lower deck. Strange as the atmosphere must have seemed to him, he found it congenial probably because he began his new life in the right spirit. "I remember," he says, "that it was one of the happiest and proudest moments of my life when I donned the baggy trousers, the tight-fitting jumper, and the dark-blue collar, with its three rows of tape." There is, indeed, no more honourable uniform in the world. The surprising thing is that, until now, the public has been told so little about the men who wear it.

A Searching Test

There could be no higher tribute to these men than the fact that the newcomer, a public school and Varsity man, found them excellent companions, both socially and intellectually. Mr. Edwards appears to share the reviewer's opinion that life on the lower deck of His Majesty's Navy constitutes the most searching test of masculine character. It is a practical illustration of the survival of the fittest in the broadest and highest meaning of the phrase.

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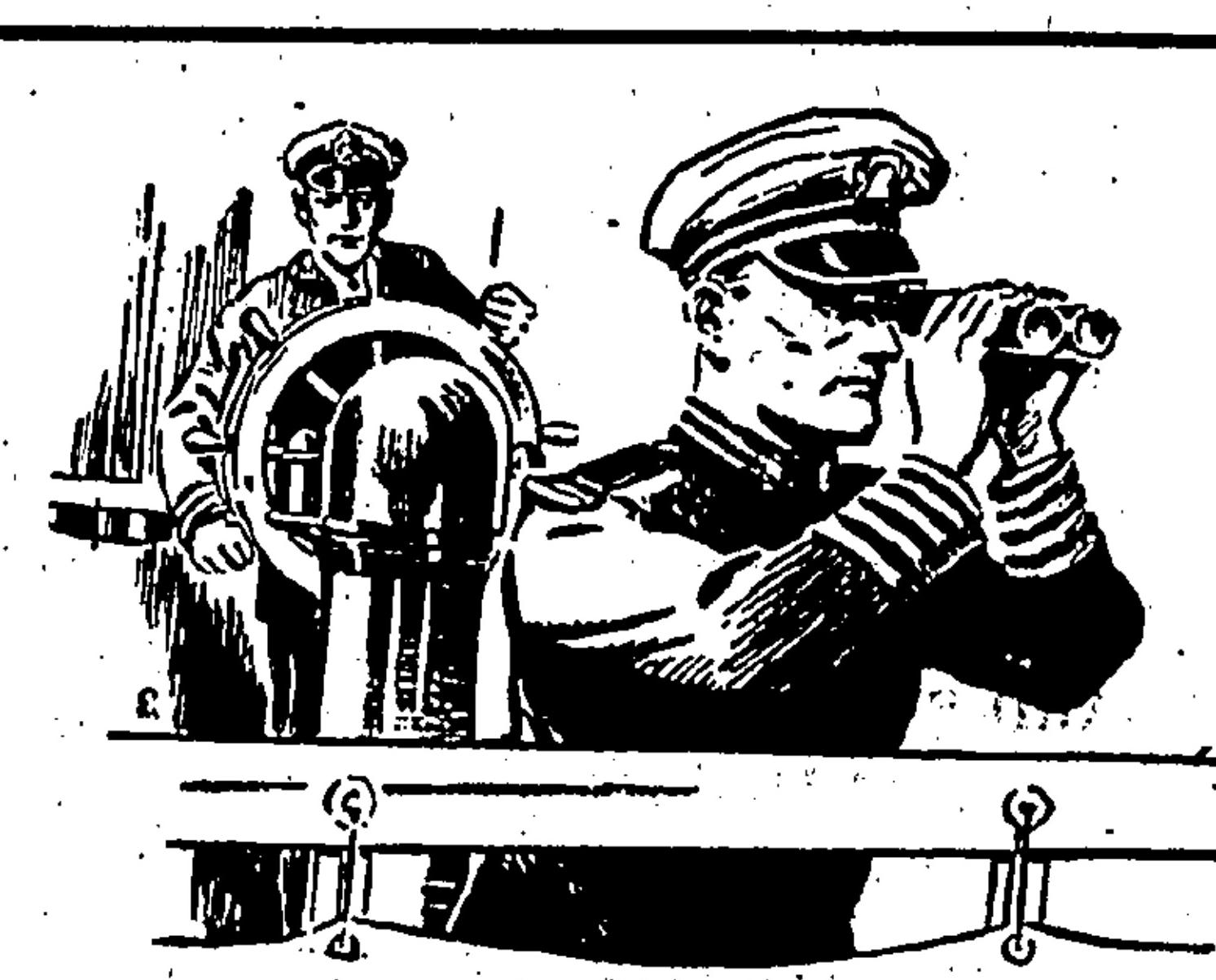
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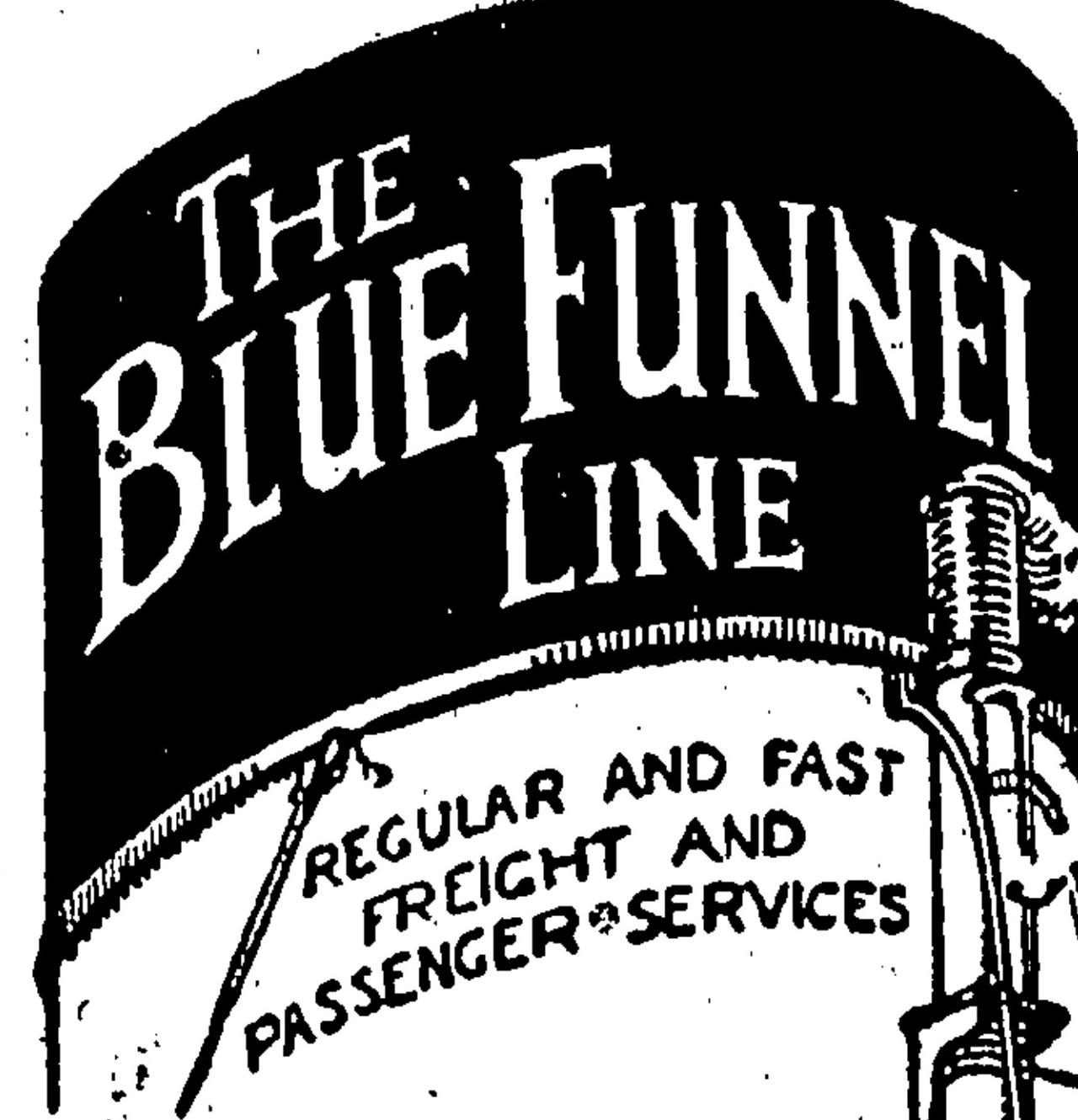
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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22.		
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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24.		
Straits and Calcutta	Namsing	Feb. 24. Noon.
Sandakan	Parcels	1 p.m.
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Swatow	Mausang	1.30 p.m.
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LANCASHIRE COTTON Organised Move for Economics

London, Yesterday.
A new move to increase Lancashire's cotton trade in bulk standard lines is foreshadowed by the announcement of the impending formation of a British Cotton Textile Association supported by all sections of the trade, including the operatives.

The aim is to secure economies incidental to mass production, and regular demand.—Reuter.

NO BILL OF HEALTH Australia's Shipping Decision

Geneva, Yesterday.
The Australian Government has informed the League of Nations Far Eastern Health Bureau that a bill of health will from now on not be required of ships entering Australian ports, owing to the epidemiological information now available.—Reuter.

STEAMERS COLLIDE

Ship Beached in
Suez Roads
Port Said, Yesterday.
The German steamer Halle, from Hamburg to Macassar, and the Dutch steamer Sembilan from New York to Batavia to-day came into collision. Both were damaged, and the latter was beached in the Suez roads.—Reuter.

SHIP AGROUND S.O.S. from Alabama Maru

At 2.05 this morning the Water Police received a message from N.Y.K. s.s. Tango Maru, bound from Hong Kong to Australia, reporting that she had "heard" an S.O.S. from another ship whose call was "UNFD," seemingly the a.s. Alabama Maru.

The message picked up by the Tango Maru was to the effect that the other ship was aground in latitude 35.44, north, and longitude 140.52, east, which is in the vicinity of Japan, near Tokyo.

The Alabama Maru is owned by the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, and was on her way from Vancouver to Japan at the time she went aground.

She is a vessel of 6,016 net tonnage built in 1920 by the Mitsubishi Zosen Kaisha, Nagasaki, and her port of registry is Osaka.

QUEEN AND MOTHER Solicitude for the Prince

London, Yesterday.
The Queen to-day saw at the Stoll Cinema in London, Mr. Cherry Kearton's film "Tombi," depicting wild life in the African jungle, where the Prince of Wales is now hunting. She afterwards took tea with Sir Oswald and Lady Stoll, to whom she remarked, "It is a pity I cannot come oftener. I am very nervous at the thought of the Prince of Wales being near so many dangerous beasts."—Reuter.

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KING and QUEEN of ITALY visit Pope PIUS.
Wreck of S.S. Molesey off South Wales
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